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ILLUSTRATIVE OF
THE LIFE AND WRITINGS
OR,
JOHN EVELYN, ESQ. F.R.S.

AUTHOR OF THE "SYLVA," &c. &c.

COMPRISING HIS DIARY, FROM THE YEAR 1641 TO 1705-6,

AND A SELECTION OF HIS FAMILIAR LETTERS.

TO WHICH IS SUBJOINED,

The Private Correspondence

BETWEEN

KING CHARLES I. AND HIS SECRETARY OF STATE,
SIR EDWARD NICHOLAS,

WHilst HIS MAJESTY WAS IN SCOTLAND, 1641, AND AT OTHER TIMES DURING THE CIVIL WAR;

AND BETWEEN

SIR EDWARD HYDE, AFTERWARDS EARL OF CLARENDON,
AND SIR RICHARD BROWNE,

AMBASSADOR TO THE COURT OF FRANCE, IN THE TIME OF KING CHARLES I. AND THE ONSERATION.

THE WHOLE NOW FIRST PUBLISHED FROM THE ORIGINAL MSS.

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TO

JOHN EVELYN OF WOTTON IN SURREY, ESQ.

SIR,

The last sheets of this Work, with a Dedication to the late LADY EVELYN, under whose permission it was to be given to the Public, were in the hands of the Printer, when it pleased God to release her from a long and painful illness, which she had borne with the greatest fortitude and resignation to the Divine Will.

These papers descended, with the estate, from the celebrated JOHN EVELYN, Esq. (a relative of your immediate ancestor), to his great-great-grandson, the late Sir Frederick Evelyn, Bart. This gentleman dying without issue, intrusted the whole to his Lady, whose loss we have now to lament; of whose worth, and of the value of whose friendship, I have happily had long knowledge and experience. Alive to the honour of the family, of which she was thus made the representative, she maintained it in every point, and with the most active benevolence; and her care extended to every part of the property attached to the domain. Mr. Evelyn had formed in his own mind a plan of what he called an "Elysium Britannicum," in which the Library and Garden were intended to be the principal objects: could he return and visit this his beloved seat, he would find his idea realized, by the arrangement and addition which her Ladyship had made to his library, and by the disposition of the flower-garden and green-house, which she had

may appear too unimportant to meet the public eye: but it has been thought that some information, at least some amusement, would be furnished by the publication; it has been supposed that some curious particulars of persons and transactions would be found in the accompanying notes; and that, though these papers may not be of importance enough to appear in the pages of an Historian of the Kingdom, they may in some particulars set even such an one right; and, though the notices are short, they may, as to persons, give some hints to Biographers, or at least may gratify the curiosity of those who are inquisitive after the mode in which their ancestors conducted business, or passed their time. It is hoped that such will not be altogether disappointed.

Thus, when mention is made of great men going *after dinner* to attend a Council of State, or the business of their particular Offices, or the Bowling Green, or even the Church; of an Hour's Sermon being of a moderate length: of Ladies painting their faces being a novelty; or of their receiving visits of Gentlemen whilst dressing, after having just risen out of bed; of the female attendant of a lady of fashion travelling on a pillion behind one of the footmen, and the footmen riding with swords; such things, in the view above-mentioned, may not be altogether incurious.

For many Corrections, and many of the Notes, the Editor acknowledges, with great pleasure and regard, that he is indebted to James Bindley, Esq.* of Somerset House, a Gentleman who possesses an invaluable Collection of the most rare Books and Pamphlets, and

* Since the first Edition of this Work, the Editor has to lament the loss of this valuable Friend who died, in the 81st year of his age, Sept. 11, 1816, just as the printing of this second edition was begun.

whose liberality in communications is equal to the ability afforded by such a collection.

He has also most cheerfully acknowledged how much he is obliged for many historical notes and elucidations to a literary Gentleman very conversant with English History, whose name he would gladly give, were it not withheld by particular request, and whose research, through upwards of seven hundred contemporary volumes of Manuscripts and Tracts, has doubtless given additional interest to many of the Letters.

The Editor, finally, returns his best thanks to Mr. Upcott, of the London Institution, for the great and material assistance received from him in this Publication, besides his attention to the superintendance of the Press.

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MR EVELYN lived in the busy and important times of King Charles I. Oliver Cromwell; King Charles II. King James II. and King William, and he early accustomed himself to note such things as occurred which he thought worthy of remembrance. He was known to, and had much personal intercourse with, the Kings Charles II. and James II.; and was in habits of great intimacy with many of the Ministers of those two Monarchs, and with many of the eminent men of those days, as well amongst the Clergy as the Laity. Foreigners distinguished for learning or arts, who came to England, did not leave it without visiting him.

In the first edition of the *Biographia Britannica* in folio, Dr. Campbell has a long article relating to this gentleman. Dr. Hunter, in his edition of the *Sylva* in 1776, has copied great part of what Dr. Campbell had written. Dr. Kippis added several particulars in the second edition of the *Biographia* in 1793. Mr. Chalmers has added some information in his Biographical Dictionary, in 8vo. (1816); but the following pages will produce farther particulars of this eminent man. They will shew that he did not travel merely to count steeples, as he expresses himself in one of his letters: they will develope his private character as being of the most amiable kind. With a strong predilection for monarchy, with a personal attachment to Kings Charles II. and James II., formed when they resided at Paris, he was yet utterly averse to the arbitrary measures of those Monarchs.

Strongly and steadily attached to the doctrine and practice of the Church of England, he felt the most liberal sentiments for those who differed from him in opinion. He lived in intimacy with men of all persuasions, nor did he think it necessary to break connexions with any one who had even been induced to desert the Church of England,

and embrace the doctrines of that of Rome. In writing to the brother of a gentleman thus circumstanced, in 1659, he expresses himself in this admirable manner: "For the rest, we must committ to Providence the successse of times and mitigation of proselytical servours; having for my owne p'ticular a very great charity for all who sincerely adore the blessed Jesus, our common & deare Saviour, as being full of hope that God (however the p^{re}sent zeale of some, & the scandals taken by others at the instant [present] affliction of the Church of England may transport them) will at last compassionate our infirmities, clarifie our judgments, & make abatement for our ignorances, superstructures, passions, & errors of corrupt tyme & interests, of which the Romish persuasion can no way acquit herself, whatever the present prosperity & secular polity may pretend. But God will make all things manifest in his own tyme, onely let us possess ourselves in patience & charity. This will cover a multitude of imperfections."

He speaks with great moderation of the Roman Catholics in general, admitting that some of the Laws enacted against them might be mitigated; but of the Jesuits he had the very worst opinion, considering them as a most dangerous Society, and the principal authors of the misfortunes which befell King James II., and the horrible persecutions of the Protestants in France and Savoy.

He must have conducted himself with uncommon prudence and discretion, for he had personal friends in the Court of Cromwell, at the same time that he was corresponding with his father-in-law Sir Richard Browne, the Ambassador of King Charles II. at Paris; and at the same period that he paid his Court to the King, he maintained his intimacy with a disgraced Minister.

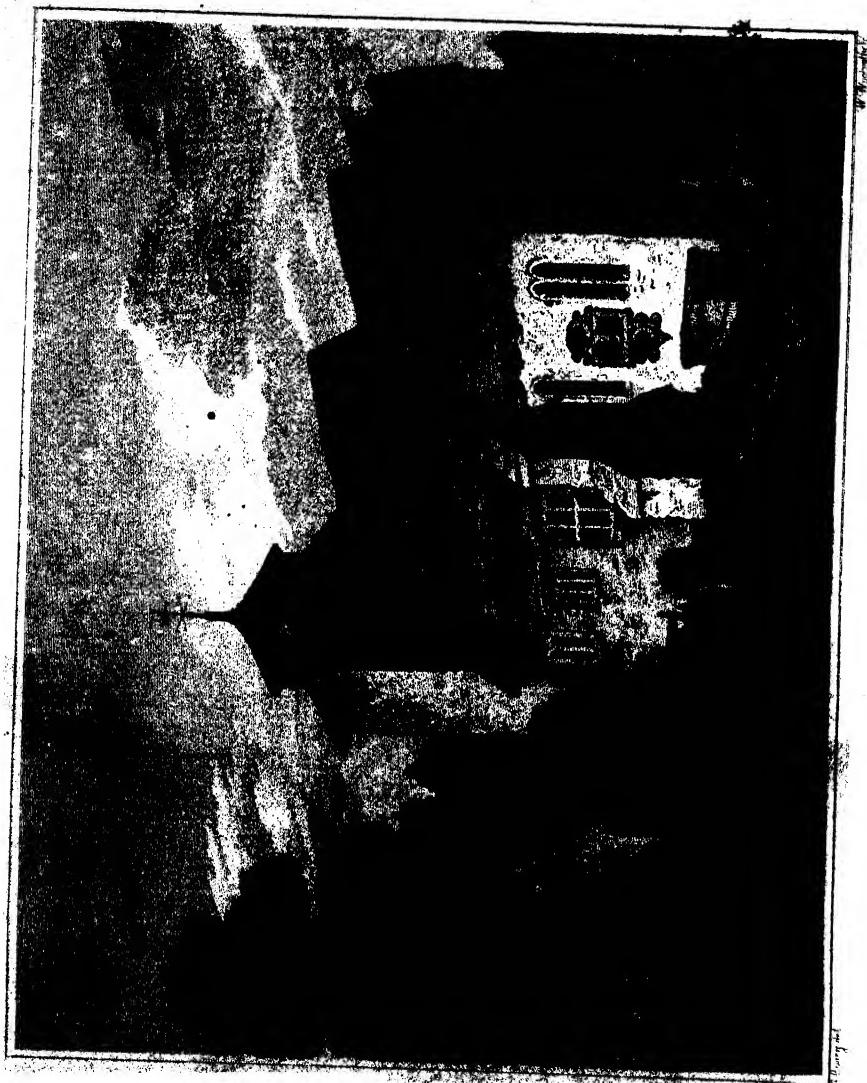
In his travels he made acquaintance not only with men eminent for learning, but with men ingenious in every art and profession.

His manners we may presume to have been of the most agreeable kind, for his company was sought by the greatest men, not merely by inviting him to their own tables, but by their repeated visits to him at his own house; and this was equally the case with regard to the ladies, of many of whom he speaks in the highest style of admiration, affection, and respect. He was master of the French, Italian, and Spanish

languages. That he had read a great deal is manifest, but at what time he found opportunities for study, it does not seem easy to say; he acknowledges himself to have been idle while at Oxford; and when on his travels he had little time for reading, except when he stayed about nineteen weeks in France, and at Padua, where he was likewise stationary for some time. At Rome he remained a considerable time; but whilst there he was so continually engaged in viewing the great abundance of interesting objects to be seen in that City, that he could have found little leisure for reading. When resident in England, he was so much occupied in the business of his numerous offices, in paying visits, in receiving company at home, and in examining whatever was deemed worthy of curiosity or of scientific observation, that it is astonishing to think how he found the opportunity to compose the numerous books which he published, and the much greater number of papers, on almost every subject, which still remain in manuscript*; to say nothing of the very extensive and voluminous Correspondence which he appears to have carried on during the period of his long life, with men of the greatest eminence in Church and State, and the most distinguished for learning, both Englishmen and Foreigners. In this correspondence he does not seem to have made use of an amanuensis, and he has left transcripts in his own hand of great numbers of Letters both received and sent. He observes, indeed, in one of these, that he seldom went to bed before 12, or closed his eyes before 1 o'clock.

He was happy in a wife of congenial dispositions with his own, of an enlightened mind, who had read much, was skilled in etching and painting, yet attentive to the domestic concerns of her household, and a most affectionate mother. Of her personal beauty an idea may be formed from the print accompanying this Work, engraved from a most exquisite drawing in pencil by that celebrated French artist Nanteuil, in 1650. In the Appendix is given a character of her by the Rev. Dr. Bohun, who had the best opportunity of being acquainted with it, from having resided in Mr. Evelyn's house for a considerable time as tutor to their son. A few of her letters are also given, to prove the truth of what the Doctor says of them.

* Amongst these is a Bible bound in 3 volumes, the pages filled with notes.



WOTTON CHURCH, SURREY.

The “*Biographia*” does not notice his tour in France, Flanders, and Holland, in 1641, when he made a short campaign as a Volunteer in an English Regiment then in service in Flanders.

Nor does it notice his going with intent to have joined King Charles I. at Brentford; but after the battle there he desisted, considering that his brother's, as well as his own estates, were so near London as to be fully in the power of the Parliament. In this dangerous conjuncture he asked and obtained the King's leave to travel. Of these Travels, and the observations he made therein, an account is given in the Diary.

The public troubles coming on before he had engaged in any settled plan for his future life, it appears that he had thoughts of living in the most private manner, and that, with his brother's permission, he had even begun to prepare a place for retirement at Wotton. Nor did he afterwards wholly abandon this intention, if the plan of a College which he sent to Mr. Boyle in 1659, was really formed on a serious idea. The scheme of this is given at length in the “*Biographia*,” and in Dr. Hunter's Edition of the “*Sylva*” in 1776; but it may be observed that he proposes it should not be more than 25 miles from London.

His answer to Sir George Mackenzie's panegyric on Solitude, in which Mr. Evelyn takes the opposite part, and urges the preference to which public employment and an active life is entitled; might be supposed a playful essay of one who, for the sake of argument, would convert another's position, though in reality agreeing with his own opinion, if we think him serious in two letters to Mr. Abr. Cowley, dated 12 March and 24 Aug. 1666, in the former of which he writes: “*You had reason to be astonished at the presumption, not to name it affront, that I, who have so highly celebrated Recessus, and envied it in others, should become an advocate for the Enemie, which of all where it abhors and flies from.* I conjure you to believe that I am still of the same mind, and that there is no person alive who dos more honor and breathe after the life and repose you so happily cultivate and maintain by your example; but, as those who pray'd Dirt, a Flea, and the Devil, so have I Public Employment in that trifling essay, and that in a wretched style compared with my Antagonist's, as by that,

alone it will appear I neither was nor could be serious, and I hope you believe I speake my very soule to you,

*"Sunt enim Musis sua Iudicra, mita Camoenis
Otia sunt—"*

In the other he says, "I pronounce it to you from my heart as oft as I consider it, that I look on your fruitions with unexpressible emulation, and should think myself more happy than Crowned heads, were I, as you, the arbiter of mine own life, and could break from those gilded toys to taste your well-described joys with such a Wife and such a Friend, whose conversation exceed all that the mistaken world calls happiness." But, in truth, his mind was too active to admit of solitude, however desirable it might at some times appear to him in Theory.

After he had settled at Deptford, which was in the time of Cromwell, he kept up a constant correspondence with Sir Richard Browne (his father-in-law) the King's Ambassador at Paris; and though his connection must have been known, it does not appear that he met with any interruption from the Government here. Indeed, though he remained a decided Royalist, he managed so well as to have intimate friends amongst those nearly connected with Cromwell; and to this we may attribute his being able to avoid taking the Covenant, which he says he never did take. In 1659 he published "An Apology for the Royal Party," and soon after he printed a paper which was of great service to the King, entitled "The late News or Message from Brussels unmasked," which was a pamphlet designed to represent the King in the worst light.

On the Restoration we find him very frequently at Court, and he became engaged in many public employments, still attending to his studies and literary pursuits. Amongst these is particularly to be mentioned the Royal Society, in the establishment and conduct of which he took a very active part. He procured Mr. Howard's library to be given to them; and in 1667 the Arundelian Marbles to the University of Oxford.

His first appointment to a public office was in 1662, as a Commissioner for reforming the buildings, ways, streets and incumbrances, and regulating Hackney coaches in London. In the same year he sat as a

Commissioner on an enquiry into the conduct of the Lord Mayor, &c. concerning Sir Thomas Gresham's charities. In 1664 he was in a Commission for regulating the Mint; and in the same year he was appointed one of the Commissioners for the care of the Sick and Wounded in the Dutch War; and was continued in the same employment in the second War with that Country.

He was one of the Commissioners for the repair of St. Paul's Cathedral shortly before it was burnt in 1666.

In that year he was in a Commission for regulating the farming and making Saltpetre.

In 1671 he was made a Commissioner of Plantations on the establishment of the Board, to which the Council of Trade was added in 1672.

In 1685 he was one of the Commissioners of the Privy Seal during the absence of the Earl of Clarendon (who held that office), on his going Lord Lieutenant to Ireland.

On the foundation of Greenwich Hospital in 1695, he was one of the Commissioners; and on 30 June 1696, he laid the first stone of that building. He was appointed Treasurer with a salary of 200*l.* a year, but he says it was a long time before he received any part of it.

When the Czar of Muscovy came to England in 1698, he was desirous of having the use of Sayes Court, as being near the King's Dock-yard at Deptford, where that Monarch proposed instructing himself in the art of Ship-building. During his stay he did so much damage, that Mr. Evelyn had an allowance of £.150 for it. He particularly regrets the mischief done to his famous holly hedge, which might have been thought beyond the reach of damage*.

Oct. 1699, his elder brother George Evelyn dying without male issue, aged eighty-three, he succeeded to the paternal estate; and in May following he quitted Sayes Court and went to Wotton, where he passed the remainder of his life, except going occasionally to London, where he had a house.

In the great storm in 1703 he mentions, in his last edition of the *Silva*, that above 1000 trees were blown down in sight of his house.

* It is said that one of Czar Peter's favourite recreations was to demolish the hedges by riding through them in a wheelbarrow.

He died at his house in London, 27 Feb. 1705-6, in the eighty-sixth year of his age, and was buried at Wotton. His Lady survived him nearly three years, dying 9 Feb. 1708-9, in her seventy-fourth year, and was buried near him at Wotton. The Inscriptions on their Tombs, and on those of his father and mother, are subjoined. His personal character was truly amiable. In the relative duties of father, husband, and friend, few could exceed him.

Of Mr. Evelyn's children, one son, who died at the age of five, and one daughter, who died at the age of nineteen, were almost prodigies. The particulars of their extraordinary endowments, and the deep manner in which he was affected by their deaths, may be seen in pp. 309, 588, and cannot be read without exciting the most tender emotions. Their epitaphs are also subjoined. *

One daughter was well and happily settled; another less happily, but she did not survive her marriage more than a few months.

The only son who lived to the age of manhood inherited his father's love of learning, and distinguished himself by several publications.

Mr. Evelyn's employment as a Commissioner of the Sick and Wounded was a very laborious one, and from the nature of it must have been extremely unpleasant. Almost the whole labour was in his department, which included all the Ports between the River Thames and Portsmouth; he had to travel in all seasons and weathers, by land and by water, in the execution of his office, to which he gave the strictest attention. It was rendered still more unpleasant by the great difficulty which he found in procuring money for support of the Prisoners. In the Library at Wotton are copies of numerous letters to the Lord Treasurer and Officers of State, representing, in the strongest terms, the great distress of the poor men, and of those who had furnished lodging and necessaries for them. At one time there were such arrears of payment to the victuallers, that on landing additional sick and wounded, they lay some time in the streets, the publicans refusing to receive them, and shutting up their houses. After all this trouble and fatigue he found as great difficulty in getting his accounts settled. In Jan. 1665-6 he

* 9 Oct. 1668, he writes to the Lord Chancellor, Lord Arlington, Sir William Coventry, and Sir Philip Warwick, complaining of want of money for the Prisoners, and praying that while he

formed a plan for an Infirmary at Chatham, which he sent to Mr. Pepys, to be laid before the Admiralty, with his reasons for recommending it; but it does not appear that it was carried into execution.

His business relating to the repair of St. Paul's (which, however, was very short), that of a Commissioner of Trade and Plantations, and for building Greenwich Hospital, were much better adapted to his inclination and pursuits.

As a Commissioner of the Privy Seal in the reign of K. James II. he had a difficult task to perform. He was most steadily attached to the Church of England, and the King required the Seal to be put to many things incompatible with the welfare of that Church. This on some occasions he refused to do, particularly to a Licence to Dr. Obadiah Walker to print Popish books*; and on others absented himself, leaving it to his brother Commissioners to act as they thought fit. Such, however, was the King's opinion of him, that he shewed no displeasure on this account.

With respect to Mr. Evelyn's attempt to bring Col. Morley (who was Cromwell's Lieutenant of the Tower, and who held it at the time immediately preceding the Restoration) over to the King's interest, an imperfect account of it is given in the *Biographia*, partly taken from the additions to *Baker's Chronicle*, published with a continuation in 1696.

The fact is, that there was great friendship between these gentlemen, and Mr. Evelyn did endeavour to engage the Colonel in the King's interest; he saw him several times, and put his life into his hands by writing to him on 12 Jan. 1659-60†; he did not succeed, and Col.

and his brother Commissioners adventure their persons, and all that is dear to them, in this uncomfortable service, they may not be exposed to ruin, and to a necessity of abandoning their cause; they have lost their officers and servants by the pestilence, and are hourly environed with the saddest objects of perishing people.—“I have,” says he, “15 places full of sick men, where they put me to unspeakable trouble; the Magistrates and Justices, who should further us in our exigencies, hindering the people from giving us quarters, jealous of the contagion, and causing them to shut their doors at our approach.”

* Dr. Walker had been a member of the Church of England (see vol. I. p. 697), but had renounced it, and turned Popist.

† A copy of this letter, with a note of Mr. Evelyn's signature, is given among the illustrations at the end of the Volume, p. 665.

Morley was too much his friend to betray him; but so far from the Colonel having settled matters privately with Sir Anthony Ashley Cooper, or General Monk*, as there stated, when the Restoration took place, Col. Morley actually applied to Mr. Evelyn to obtain his pardon, and Mr. Evelyn obtained it accordingly, though, as the latter states, the Colonel was obliged to pay a sum of money. This could not have happened if he had previously joined with General Monk.

There are some mistakes in the *Biographia* as to Mr. Evelyn's Works. Dr. Campbell, who wrote the article in the original edition, took some pains to vindicate Mr. Evelyn's book intitled "Navigation and Commerce, their Original and Progress," from the charge of being an imperfect work, unequal to the expectation excited by the title. But the Doctor, who had not the information which this Journal so amply affords on this subject, was not aware that what was so printed was nothing more than an Introduction to the History of the Dutch War; a work undertaken by Mr. Evelyn at the express command of King Charles II., and the materials for which were furnished by the Officers of State. The completion of this work, after a considerable progress had been made in it, was put a stop to by the King himself; for what reason does not appear; but perhaps it was found that Mr. Evelyn was inclined to tell too much of the truth concerning a transaction which it will be seen by his Journal he utterly reprobated. His copy of the History, as far as he had proceeded, he put into the hands of his friend Mr. Pepys of the Admiralty, who did not return it, and giving his books and manuscripts to Magdalen College, Cambridge, it was hoped it was there preserved. The Editor went to Cambridge for the purpose of seeing it; was favoured with access to the Library, and with the most obliging personal attendance of the Hon. Mr. Fortescue, one of the Fellows of the College; but, after a diligent search for several hours, it could not be found.

Dr. Campbell understood "The Mystery of Jesuitism" to be a single volume, but there were three published in different years. The trou-

* Colonel Morley's name is vaguely mentioned in the account of General Monk's restoration, written on occasion by John Price, D. D. (who was sent to him by the King, and had continual intercourse with him) published in 1690, and reprinted by Drury, Musgrave, &c.

lation of the second was undertaken by Mr. Evelyn at the express desire of Lord Clarendon and his son, as appears by a letter of Mr. E. to Lord Cornbury, dated 9 February 1664. The third was translated by Dr. Tonge for Mr. Evelyn; but a fuller statement of this will be found in vol. I. p. 371.

In giving a list of Mr. Evelyn's Publications, the Authors of the *Biographia* say, "As several of these treatises were printed before the Author's return to England, and others without his name, we must depend on the general opinion of the world, and the authority of Mr. Wood, for their being his; yet there is no great reason to suspect a mistake." * They say, "We know nothing of the 'Mundus Muliebris; or, the Ladies' Dressing Room unlocked,' except that it has had a place in the Catalogue of our Author's Works, from which therefore we have no right to remove it." †

There is no doubt of his being the author: under 1685 Mr. Evelyn, in his account of his daughter Mary, says she "put in many pretty symbols in the 'Mundus Muliebris,' wherein is an enumeration of the immense variety of the modes and ornaments belonging to the sex."

In a letter to Lord Cornbury, dated 9 February 1664, he speaks of having written a Play.

The Authors of the *Biographia* say, "The account which Mr. Boyle received from Mr. Evelyn ‡ of the method used by the Italians for preserving show in pits, is an admirable specimen of that care with which he registered his discoveries, as well as the curiosity which prompted him to enquire into every thing worthy of notice, either natural or artificial, in the countries through which he passed. It is much to be regretted that a work so entertaining and instructive as the History of his Travels would have been, appeared, even to so indefatigable a person as he was, a task too laborious for him to undertake; for we should then have seen clearly, and in a true light, many things in reference to Italy which are now very indistinctly and partially represented; and we should also have met with much new matter never touched before, and of which we shall now probably never hear at all." §

* *Biog. Brit.*, vol. V. p. 611, note E.
† *Id.* p. 624, note S.
‡ *Works*, vol. II. p. 308.

§ *Biog. Brit.*, vol. V. p. 610, note D.

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What is thus said of Mr. Evelyn's travels is partly supplied in the following volume, but not so fully as could be wished. — That he made many observations which will not be found here, appears by the above quotation from Mr. Boyle, and by an account of the manner of making bread in France, which he communicated to Mr. Houghton, a Fellow of the Royal Society, who published it in some papers which he printed weekly in 1681 and following years. It must be presumed that Mr. Evelyn had made many other observations not found in this Journal, and the notes of which have not been discovered amongst his papers.

From the numerous Authors who have spoken in high terms of this Gentleman, we will insert the two following characters of him :

In the *Biographia* Dr. Campbell says, "It is certain that very few Authors who have written in our language deserve the character of able and agreeable writers so well as Mr. Evelyn, who, though he was acquainted with most sciences, and wrote upon many different subjects, yet was very far, indeed the farthest of most men of his time, from being a superficial writer. He had genius; he had taste, he had learning; and he knew how to give all these a proper place in his works, so as never to pass for a Pedant, even with such as were least in love with literature, and to be justly esteemed a polite Author by those who knew it best." *

Mr. Horace Walpole (afterwards Earl of Orford), in his Catalogue of Engravers, also gives the following admirably-drawn character of him, p. 85, 86 : "If Mr. Evelyn had not been an Artist himself, as I think I can prove he was, I should yet have found it difficult to deny myself the pleasure of allotting him a place among the Arts he loved, promoted, patronized; and it would be but justice to inscribe his name with due panegyric in these records, as I have once or twice taken the liberty to criticise him: but they are trifling blemishes compared with his amiable virtues and beneficence; and it may be remarked that the worst I have said of him is, that he knew more than he always communicated. It is no unwelcome satire to say, that a man's intelligence and philosophy is inexhaustible. I mean not to write his Life, which may

be found detailed in the new edition of his ‘Sculptura,’ in Collins’s ‘Baronetage,’ in the ‘General-Dictionary,’ and in the ‘New Biographical Dictionary;’ but I must observe, that his life, which was extended to 86 years, was a course of enquiry, study, curiosity, instruction, and benevolence. The works of the Creator, and the minute labours of the creature, were all objects of his pursuit. He unfolded the perfection of the one, and assisted the imperfection of the other. He adored from examination; was a courtier that flattered only by informing his prince, and by pointing out what was worthy for him to countenance; and really was the Neighbour of the Gospel, for there was no man that might not have been the better for him. Whoever peruses a list of his works will subscribe to my assertion. He was one of the first promoters of the Royal Society; a patron of the ingenious and the indigent; and peculiarly serviceable to the lettered world; for besides his writings and discoveries, he obtained the Arundelian Marbles for the University of Oxford, and the Arundelian Library for the Royal Society.—Nor is it the least part of his praise, that he, who proposed to Mr. Boyle the creation of a Philosophical College for retired and speculative persons, had the honesty to write in defence of active life against Sir George, Mackenzie’s *Essay on Solitude*. He knew that retirement, in his own hands, was industry, and benefit to mankind; but in those of others, laziness and inutility.”

His son, Mr. John Evelyn, was of Trinity College, Oxford, and when about 16 years old he wrote that elegant Greek Poem which is prefixed to the second edition of the “*Sylva*.” He translated Rapin on Gardens, in four books, written in Latin verse. His Father annexed the second book of this to the second edition of his “*Sylva*.” He also translated from the Greek of Plutarch the life of Alexander the Great, printed in the fourth volume of “*Plotarch’s Lives, by several Hands;*” and from the French, the History of the Grand Viziers Mahomet and Achmet Co-prince. There are several Poems of his, of which some are printed in Dryden’s *Miscellanies*, and more in Nichols’s Collection of Poems.

In December 1669 he was presented to the Prince of Orange at Alkmaar by Col. Sidney and Col. Berkley, and was one of the volunteers

in Lord Lovelace's troop, when his Lordship secured Oxford for the Prince. In 1690 he purchased the place of Chief Clerk of the Treasury; but in the next year he was by some means removed from it by Mr. Guy, who succeeded in that office. In August 1692 he was made one of the Commissioners of the Revenue in Ireland, from whence he returned to England in 1696 in very ill health, and died 24th March, 1698, in his father's life-time.

He married Martha, daughter and coheir of Richard Spenser, Esq. a Turkey merchant, by whom he had two sons and three daughters. The eldest son, and the eldest daughter, Martha Mary, and youngest daughter, Jane, died infants. The surviving daughter, Elizabeth, married Simon Harcourt, Esq. son of the Lord Chancellor Harcourt September 18, 1705, the son John, who had succeeded his grandfather at Wotton, married Anne, daughter of Edward Boscowen, Esq. of the county of Cornwall; and by letters patent, dated 30 July 1713, was created a Baronet. He inherited the virtue and the taste for learning, as well as the patrimony, of his ancestors, and lived at Wotton universally loved and respected. He built a Library there, 45 feet long, 14 wide, and as many high, for the reception of the large and curious collection of books made by his grandfather, father, and himself, and where they now remain. He was a Fellow of the Royal Society, was long the First Commissioner of the Customs, and died July 15, 1763, in the eighty-second year of his age.

By his lady, who died before him, he had several children, and was succeeded by John the eldest, who married Mary daughter of Hugh Boscowen, Viscount Falmouth, and died 11 June, 1767, in the sixty-first year of his age. He was Clerk of the Green Cloth to Frederick Prince of Wales, father of the present King, to this King when Prince of Wales, and after he came to the Crown. He represented the Borough of Helston in several Parliaments, and to the time of his death. He had only one son, Frederick, who succeeded to the title and estates, and three daughters. Of the daughters, two died unmarried; the third, Augusta, married the Rev. Dr. Henry Jenkin, Rector of Wotton and Abinger, but she died without issue. Sir Frederick was in the army in the early part of his life, and was in *Elliott's Light Horse* when

that Regiment so highly distinguished themselves in the famous Battle of Minden in Germany in 1759. He married Mary, daughter of William Turton, Esq. of Staffordshire, and, dying without issue in 1812, he left his estates to his Lady. She lived at Wotton, where she fully maintained the honour and great respect which had so long attended the family there. Her taste for botany was displayed in her garden and green-house, where she had a curious collection of exotic, as well as native, shrubs and flowers. The Library shared her attention; besides making additions to it, she had a complete Catalogue arranged by Mr. Upcott of the London Institution.

This lady by her will returned the estate to the family, devising it to John Evelyn, Esq. who descended from George Evelyn, the purchaser of this estate in 1579.

The following are Epitaphs to the memory of the writer of the Diary, and part of his family, interred in the Dormitory adjoining Wotton Church, of which an engraving is annexed.

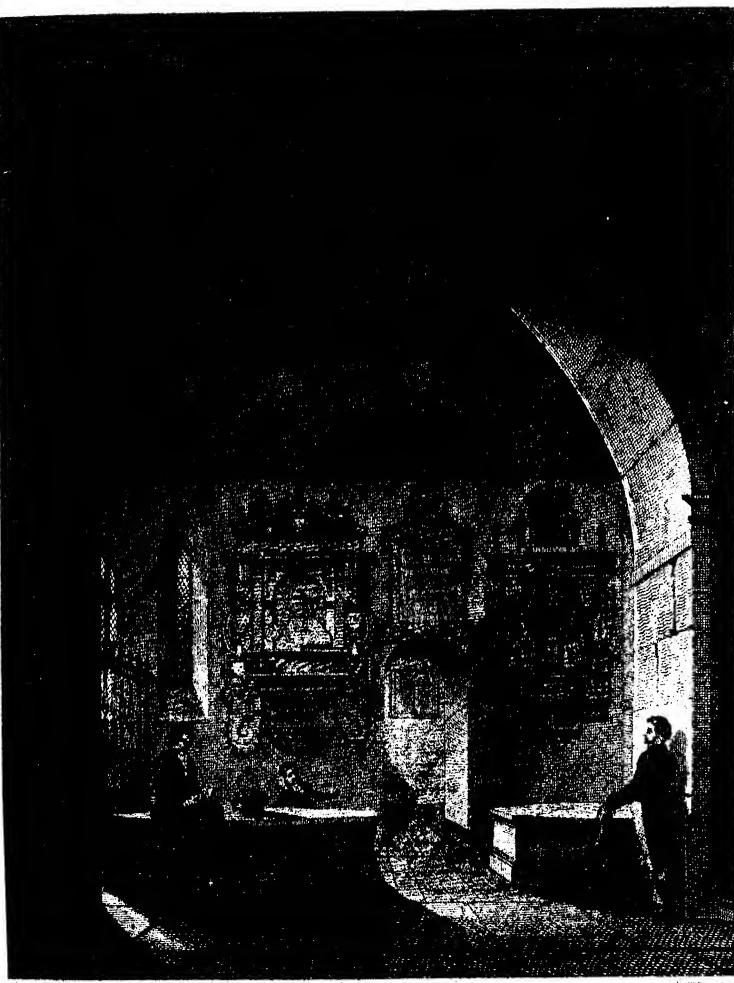
For his Grandfather, who settled at Wotton, on an alabaster monument, written by Dr. Comber, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, and afterwards Dean of Durham.

D. O. M. S.

Georgio Evelino, Arm, non minus
Vita et Morum exemplo, quam dignitate
conspicuo, quem plenum annis (inoffensæ
vitæ decurso itinere, quale sibi opta-
runt magni illi, qui inane strepitum
tranquillitati posthabendum putarunt)
Mors imminuta abstulit, namq;
rebus omnibus, Deo omnia benè vertente,
affluens, quibus vita beata efficitur,
repelito non infelici delectu matrimo-
nio, Liberos ad filios 16, octoque
filias, penè octogenarius decessit senex;
Parenti charissimo, et benè merenti
Richardus Evelinus, filiorum natp minimus,
Monumentum cum carmine moerens
posuit, quod non tam Patris vivo hominum
ore victuri, quam proprie Pietatis
testimonium esset.
Obiit 30 die Maii, An. Dom. 1603.
Ætatis sue 73.

On another alabaster monument are the figures of a man and his wife kneeling, and five children; below is this inscription:

Epitaphium.
verè generosi, et prænobilis Viri, D. Richardi
Evelini, armigeri, in agro Surriensi, hic
subter in terra conditi.
Quem Pietas, Probitas, clara natalibus ortum,
Prolis amor dulcis, Vitaq; libe careus,
Religionis opus, quem Vota Precesq; suorum,
Et morum niveus candor, aperta manus,
Reddebat olim charum patriæq; suisq;
Vertitur in cineres hæc Evelinus humo.
Lector, ne doles, cùm sis mortalis, abito
Et sortis non sis immemor ipse tuæ.



A View of the Burial Place of the Eeclay Family
In Wiston Church showing the Tombs of John Eeclay Esq and Mary his wife

Obiit Quinquagenarius
corporis statu vegeto, vicesimo die Decembris anno

Salutis humanæ
1640, Liberorum quinq. Pater,
relictis quatuor superstibus, tribus
scil. filiis cum
unica tantum, filia.
Festinantes sequimur.

On another monument, fixed to the same wall :

To
the precious memory of
ELLEN EVELYN,
the dearly beloved wife of Richard Evelyn, Esq.
a rare example of Piety, Loyalty, Prudence, and Charity,
a happy Mother of five Children,
George, John, Richard, Elizabeth, and Jane ;
who in the 37th year of her age,
the 22d of her marriage,
and the 1635th of Man's Redemption,
put on Immortality,
leaving her name as a monument of her perfections,
and her Perfections as a precedent for imitation.
Of her great worth to know, who seeketh more,
Must mount to Heaven, where she is gone before.

On a white marble, covering a Tomb shaped like a coffin raised about three feet above the floor, is inscribed :

Here lies the Body
of JOHN EVELYN Esq.
of this place, second son
of Richard Evelyn Esq;
who having serv'd the Publick
in several employments, of which that
of Commissioner of the Privy-Seal in the
Reign of King James the 2d was most
honourable, and perpetuated his fame
by far more lasting monuments than
those of Stone or Brass, his learned
and usefull Works, fell asleep the 27 day
of February 1705-6, being the 86 year
of his age, in full hope of a glorious
Resurrection, thro' Faith in Jesus Christ,
Living in an age of extraordinary
Events and Revolutions, he learnt
(as himself asserted) this Truth,
which pursuant to his intention
is here declared—
That all is vanity which is not honest,

and that there is no solid wisdom
but in real Piety.
 Of five Sons and three Daughters
born to him from his most
virtuous and excellent Wife,
Mary, sole daughter and heiress
of Sir Rich. Browne of Sayes
Court near Deptford in Kent,
only one daughter, Susanna
married to William Draper
Esq; of Adscomb in this
County, survived him; the
two others dying in the
flower of their age, and
all the Sons very young ex-
cept one named John, who
deceased 24 March 1698-9,
in the 45 year of his age,
leaving one son, John, and
one daughter, Elizabeth.

On another monument at the head of, and like the former:

MARY EVELYN,
the best Daughter, Wife,
and Mother,
the most accomplished of women,
beloved, esteemed, admired,
and regretted, by all who knew her,
is deposited in this stone coffin,
according to her own desire, as near
as could be to her dear Husband.

JOHN EVELYN,
with whom she lived almost
Threescore years,
and survived not quite three, dying
at London, the 9 of Feb. 1708-9,
in the 74th year of her age.

In the Church of St. Nicholas, Deptford, on the East wall, to the South of the altar, is a marble mural tablet with the following Inscriptions to the two Children of Mr. Evelyn, whose early loss he has so feelingly lamented in his Diary:

R. EVELYN. I. F.
 Quiescit hoc sub marmore,
 Una quiescit quicquid est amabile,
 Patres quod optent, aut quod probi lugeant;
 Genas decentes non, ut ante, risus
 Lepore condit amplius;

Morum venustas, quanta paucis contigit,
 Desideratur omnibus.
 Linguae, Latina, Gallica,
 Quas imbibit cum lacte materno, tacent.
 Tentarat Artes, artiumque principis
 Pietatis elementa hauserat.
 Libris inhässit improbo labore
 Ut sola mors divelleret.
 Quod indeo, quod disciplina, quod labor
 Possint, ab uno disceres.
 Puer stupendus, qualis hic esset senex
 Si fata vitæ subministrassent iter !
 Sed aliter est visum Deo :
 Corruptus ille febricula levi jacet,
 Jacent tot una spes Parentum !
 Vixit Ann. V. M. V. III super D.
 Eheu ! delicias breves.
 Quicquid placet mortale, non placet diu,
 Quicquid placet mortale, ne placeat nimis.

MARY EVELYN,
 Eldest Daughter of John Evelyn,
 and Mary his wife, borne the last day of
 September 1665, att Wootton in
 the County of Surrey. A beautiful
 young woman, endowed with shining
 Qualities both of body and mind, infinitely
 pious, the delight of her Parents and Friends.
 She dyed 17 March 1685 at the
 Age of 19 Years, 5 Months, 17 Dayes,
 regretted by all persons of worth
 that knew her value.

A tablet adjoining the foregoing, is thus inscribed :

M. S.

Neere this place are deposited y^e bodys
 of Sir RICHARD BROWNE of Sayes-Court in Deptford, Knt ;
 Of his wife Dame Joanna Vigorus of Langham in Essex,
 deceased in Nov. 1618 aged 74 years.

This Sir Richard was younger son of an ancient family of
 Hitcham in Suffolk, seated afterwards at Horsly in Essex, who (being
 Student in the Temple) was by Robert Dudley, the great Earle of Leicester,
 taken into the service of the Crowne when he went
 Governor of the United Netherlands, and was afterwards
 by Queene Elizabeth made Clarke of the Greene Cloth,
 in which honorable office he also continued under King James untill the
 time of his death, May 1604, aged 65 yeares ;
 Of Christopher Browne, Esq, son and heire of Sir Richard, who
 deceased in March 1645, aged 70 yeares ;
 Of Thomasin his wife, da^r of Benjamin Gonson of Much Bado

in Essex, Esq. whose grandfather William Gonson, and father Benjamin, were successively Treasurers of the Navy to King Hen: VIII., to K. Ed. VI., to Queene Mary, and Q. Elizabeth; and died June 1638, aged 75 years; Of Sir Richard Browne Knt. and Baronet, only son of Christopher; Of his wife Dame Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Pretyman of Dry-field in Gloucester shire, who deceased vi Octob^r 1652, aged 42 years.

This Sir Richard was Gentleman of the Privy Chamber to K. Charles y^e First, and Cleark of the Council of his Ma^v, and to K. Charles y^e Second, and (after several foraigne and honorable employments) continued Resident in the Court of France from K. Char. the I. and from K. Char. II^d to the French-Kings Lawes XIII. and Lewes XIV. from the years 1641 (the beginning of our un-naturall civile-warre) untill the happy Restoration of K. Char. y^e II^d 1660; deceased xii. Feb. A^d 1682-3 aged 78 yⁿ; and (according to ancient custome) willed to be interred in this place.

These all deceasing in the true Faith of Christ, hope, through his merits, for a joyfull and blessed Resurrection. X. A. P. D.

This Title was erected by John Evelyn Esq. of Sayes-Court, who married Mary sole daughter and heiresse of Sir Richard.

Arms.—Quarterly, 1. Or, a chief Sable, an augmentation granted to *Browne*; 2. Gules, a griffin passant Or, a chief of the second—*Browne*; 3. Argent, a fret G. 4. Quarterly, indented Or and G.

In the Church-yard is the Tomb of Sir Richard, with this inscription:

M. S. RICHARDUS BROWNE de Sayes-Court Deptfordiae in comitatu Cantii, eques auratus et baronettus, Regibus Carolo I. et II. a sanctioribus concilij secretarius, necnon utriusque Regis totos viginti annos ad Ludovicos XIII. et XIV. Galliae Reges prolegatus. Etatis confectus in celestem patriam migrans exuvias corporis hic depositus etatis anno 78, reparata salutis 1683, unica relictā filiā Johanni Evelynō nuptā. Monumentum in parte ecclesiae. interiore Gener P. P.

KALENDARIUM.

I WAS borne at Wotton, in the county of Surrey, 31st Oct. 1620, after my Father had been married about 7 yeares *, and my Mother had borne him two daughters and one sonn, *viz.* Eliza 28th Nov. 1614; ~~and~~ 16 Feb. 1615; George 18 June 1617. They had another sonn after me, Richard, born 4th Dec^r. 1622.

My Father, named Richard, was of a sanguine complexion, mixed with a dash of choler: his haire inclining to light, which tho' very thick became hoary by that time he was 30 yeares of age; it was somewhat curled towards the extremity; his beard, which he wore a little picked, as the mode was, of a brownish colour, and so continued to the last, save that it was somewhat mingled with grey haires about his cheeke: which, with his countenance, was cleare, and fresh colour'd, his eyes quick and piercing, an ample forehead, manly aspect; low of stature, but very strong. So exact and temperate, that I haue heard he had never been surprised by excesse, being ascetic and sparing. His wisdom was greate, his judgment acute; of solid discourse, affable, humble, and in nothing affected; of a thriving, neate, silent, and methodical genius; discreetly severe, yet liberal on all just occasions, to his children, strangers, and servants; a lover of hospitality; of a singular and Christian moderation in all his actions; a Justice of the Peace and of the Quorum; he served his Country as High Sheriff for Surrey and Sussex together†. He was a studious decliner of honours

* He was married at St. Thomas's Church, Southwark, 27 Jan. 1613.

† Formerly the two Counties had, in general, only one Sheriff, though sometimes distinct ones: in 1637 each County had its Sheriff, and so it has continued ever since.

and titles, being already in that esteem with his country that they could have added little to him beside their burden*. He was a person of that rare conversation, that upon frequent recollection, and calling to mind passages of his life and discourse, I could never charge him with the least passion or inadvertence. His estate was esteem'd about £4,000 per ann. well wooded and full of timber.

My Mother's name was Elianor, sole daughter † and heiresse of John Standsfield, Esq.; of an ancient and honourable family (though now extinct) in Shropshire, by his wife Elianor Comber of a good and well knowne house in Sussex. She was of proper personage; of a browne complexion; her eyes and haire of a lovely black; of constitution inclyned to a religious, melancholy, or pious sadness; of a rare memory and most exemplary life; for seconomie and prudence esteemed one of the most conspicuous in her Country.

So much touching my parents; nor was it reasonable I should speake less of them to whom I owe so much.

Wotton, the mansion house of my father, sett up by my grandfather, (now my eldest brother's) is situated in the most Southern part of the Shire, and tho' in a vally, yet really upon part of Lyth Hill, one of the most eminent in Engld for the prodigious prospect to be seen from its, sum it, tho' by few observed. From it may be discern'd 12 or 13 Counties, with part of the Sea on the Coast of Sussex, in a serene day; the house large and ancient, suitable to those hospitable times, and so sweetly environed with those delicious streams and venerable woods, as in the judgement of Strangers as well as Englishmen it may be compared to one of the most pleasant Seats in the Nation, and most tempting for a great person and a wanton purse to render it conspicuous. It has rising ground, meadows, woods, and water, in abundance.

The distance from London little more than 20 miles, and yet so securely placed as if it were 100; three miles from Dorking, which

* "Recd 29 Oct 1620, of Hugh Lupton of Wotton in the County of Sx^r Esq; by wile of his comisicne to the wile of his Matr, being remitted backe Matr Collector for his fine for not appearing at the time and place appointed for receyvng her order of K^t hood, the summe of fiftene pound I say received." Two, Caput.

† She was born 17 Nov. 1608, near Lewes in Sussex. 993 feet.

§ Computed miles; it is a little more than 96 measured miles.

serves it abundantly with provision as well of land as sea ; 6 from Gilford, 12 from Kingston*. I will say nothing of the ayre, because the preëminence is universally given to Surrey, the soil being dry and sandy ; but I should speake much of the gardens, fountaines, and groves, that adorne it, were they not as generaly knowne to be amongst the most natural, and (til this later and universal luxury of the whole nation; since abounding in such expenses) the most magnifiecent that England afforded, and which indeede gave one of the first examples to that elegancy since so much in vogue, and follow'd in the managing of their waters, and other ornaments of that nature. Let me add, the contiguity of five or six Mannors†, the patrollage of the livings about it, and, what is none of the least advantages, a good neighbourhood. All which conspire to render it fit for the present possessor, my worthy brother, and his noble lady‡, whose constant liberality give them title both to the place and the affections of all that know them. Thus, with the poet,

Nescio quâ natale solum dulcedine cunctos
Dicit, et im'emores non sinit esse sui.

1624. I was not initiated into any rudiments till I was four years of age, and then one Frier taught us at the church porch of Wotton : and I perfectly remember the great talk and stir about il Conde Gundamar, Ambass' from Spain (for near about this time was the match of our Prince with the Infanta proposed).

1625. I was this year sent by my Father to Lewes in Sussex, to be with my Grandfather Standsfield, with whom I passed my childhood. This was the year in which the pestilence was so epidemical that there dy'd in Londen 5,000 a week : and I well remember the strict waches and examinations upon the ways as we passed.

1626. My picture was drawn in oyle by one Chanterell, no ill painter.

1627. My Grandfather Standsfield dyed this yeare on 5 Feb : I remember the solemnity at his funeral. He was buried in the parish church of All Soules, where my Grandmother, his second wife, erected a monument. About this time was the consecration of the Church of

* 8 and 14. † 7 Manors, 2 Adwounsons, and a Chapel of Sir John Cotton. ‡ Lady Cotton, widow.

South Malling, near Lewes, the building whereof was chiefly prepared by my Grandfather, who having the Impropriation, gave 20*l.* a-year out of it to this Church: I afterwards sold the Impropriation. I layd one of the first stones at the building of the Church, which was consecrated by Bishop Field, Bishop of Oxf^d, the sermon being preached by Mr. Coxhall, afterwards minister therer.

It was not till the yeare 1628 that I was put to learne my Latine rudiments, and to write, of one Citolin, a Frenchman, in Lewes. I was put to schoole to Mr. Potts, in the Cliffe at Lewes; and in 1630 from thence to the Free-schole at Southover neere the town, of which one Agnes Morley had been the foundresse, and now Edward Snatt was the master, under whom I remained till I was sent to the University*. This yeare my Grandmother (wth whom I sojourn'd) being married to one Mr. Newton, a learned and most religious gent. we went from the Cliff to dwell at his house in Southover.

1631. There happen'd an extraordinary dearth in England, corne bearing an excessive price; and, in imitation of what I had seen my Father do, I began to observe matters more punctually, which I did use to set downe in a blanke almanac.

21st Oct. 1632. My eldeest Sister was married to Edw^d Darcy Esq; who little deserved so excellent a person. I was soone afterwards sent for into Surrey, and my Father would willingly have weaned me from my fondness of my too indulgent Grandmother, intending to have placed me at Eaton; but I was so terrified at the report of the severe discipline there, that I was sent back to Lewes, which perversenesse of mine I have ~~sige~~ a thousand times deplored. Whiles I was now trifling at home I saw London, where I lay one night enely. The next day I dined at Beddington, where I was much delighted with the gardens and curiosities. Thence we returned to the Lady Darcy's at Sutton, thence to Wotton; and the 16th of Aug. 1633, back to Lewes.

1634. My Father was appointed Sheriff for Surrey and Sussex before they were disjoyned. He had 116 servants in liverys, every one livery'd in greene sattin doublets; divers gentlemen and persons of quality

* Long after, Mr. Evelyn paid great respect to this gentleman, as appears by his letters.

waited on him in the same garbe and habit, which at that time (when 30 or 40 was the usual retinue of the High Sheriff) was esteem'd a great matter. Nor was this out of the least vanity that my Father exceeded (who was one of the greatest decliners of it), but because he could not refuse the civility of his friends and relations, who voluntarily came themselves, or sent in their servants. But my Father was afterwards most unjustly and spitefully molested by y^t jeering judge Richardson*, for repreoving the execution of a woman, to gratifie my L. of Lindsey, then Admiral ; but out of this he emerged with as much honor as trouble.

15 December 1634. My Sister Darcy departed this life, being arriv'd to her 20 yeare of age, in vertue advanc'd beyond her yeares, or the merit of her husband, the worst of men. She had been brought to bed the 2d of June before, but the infant died soon after her. My Sister was interr'd in a very honorable manner in our dormitory joyning to the parish church†, where now her monument stands.

1635. My deare Mother departed this life upon the 29th September, about the 37th of her age and 22d of her marriage ; her death hastened by excessive grief for the losse of her daughter. When near her death, she summoned all her children then living (I shall never forget it), and express'd herself in a manner so heavenly, with instructions so pious and Christian, as made us strangely sensible of the extraordinary losse then imminent ; after which, embracing every one of us, she gave to each a ring, with her blessing. Then taking my Father by the hand, she recom'ended us to his care ; and having importun'd him that what he design'd to bestow on her funeral he would rather dispose ameng y^t poore, she labour'd to compose herselfe for the blessed change which she now expected. There was not a servant in the house whom she did not expressly send for, advise, and infinitely affect with her counsell.

* He was made a Chief Justice of the Common Pleas in 1626, and of the King's Bench in 1631. There is a monument for him in Westminster Abbey. Fuller says he lived too near the time to speake fully of him. He took on him to have an order against keeping wakes on Sundays, which Laud, then Bishop of Bath and Wells, took up as an infringement of the rights of Bishope, and got him severely reprimanded at the Council Table. He was owner of Starborough Castle in Lingfield in Surrey. Manning and Bray's History of Surrey, vol. II. p. 345. † Of Wotton.

Though her Physicians, Dr. Merwell, Dr. Clement, and Dr. Rand, had given over all hopes of her recovery, and Sr Sanders Duncombe tried his celebrated and famous powder, she was many days impairing, and endur'd the sharpest conflicts of her sickness with admirable patience and most Christian resignation, retaining her intellectus and ardent affections for her dissolution to the very article of her departure. When near her dissolution, she laid her hand on every one of her children, and taking solemn leave of my Father, with elevated heart and eyes she quietly expired, and resign'd her soule to God. She was interr'd, as neere as might be, to her daughter Darcy, the 3d of October, at night, but with no meane ceremony.

*1636. This yeare being extreamely dry, the pestilence much increased in London and divers parts of England.

13 Feb. I was admitted into the Middle Temple, London, though absent, and as yet at schoole.

3d April 1637. I left schoole, where, till about the last yeare, I had been extreamly remisse in my studies, so as I went to the Universitie rather out of shame of abiding longer at schoole, than for any fitnesse, as by sad experience I found, which put me to re-learne all that I had neglected, or but perfunctorily gain'd.

10 May. I was admitted a fellow com'uner of Balliol College, Oxford, and on the 29th I was matriculated in the Vestry at St. Marie's, where I subscribed the Articles and took the oaths, Dr. Baily, head of St. John's, being Vice Chancelor, afterwards Bp. The Fellow Com'uners in Balliol were no more exempt from exercise than the meanest scholars there, and my Father sent me thither to one Mr. George Bradshaw, (*nomen invicun'* yet the son of an excellent father, beneficed in Surrey†) I ever thought my Tutor had parts enough, but as his ambition made him much suspected of y^e College, so his grudge to Dr. Lawrence, the governor of it, (whom he afterwards supplanted) tooke up so much of his tyme, that he seldom or never had the opportunity to discharge his duty to his scholars. This I perceiving, asso-

* An account of the visit made by K. Charles I. and M^r Cromwell to the University of Oxford, in Sept. 1636, is given at the end of this Volume, in a letter from George Evelyn, Esq. to his Father.

† Rector of Ockham.

ciated myself with one Mr. James Thicknesse (then a young man of the Foundation, afterwards a Fellow of the House,) by whose learned and friendly conversation I received great advantage. At my first arrival, Dr. Parkhurst was Master; and after his disease, Dr. Lawrence, a chaplaine of his Ma'ties and Margaret Professor, succeeded, an acute and learned person; nor do I much reproch his severity, considering that the extraordinary remissenesse of discipline had (till his coming) much detracted from the reputation of that Colledg.

There came in my tyme to the Coll: one Nathaniel Conopios out of Greece, from Cyrill the Patriarch of Constantinople, who returning many years after, was made (as I understand) Bishop of Smyrna. He was the first I ever saw drink coffee, w^{ch} custom came not into England till 30 years after.

After I was somewhat settled there in my formalities (for then was the University exceedingly regular, under the exact discipline of Will^m Lawd, Archbishop of Canterbury, then Chancelor,) I added, as benefactor to the Library of the Coll. these books:

Zanchii Opera, vols. 1, 2, 3.

Granado in Thomam Aquinatem, vols. 1, 2, 3.

Novarini Electa sacra, and *Cresolii Anthologia sacra*, authors (it seems) desired by the students of Divinity there.

1637. At Christinas the Gentlemen of Exeter College presented a Comedy to the University.

I was admitted into the dauncing and vaulting Schole, of which late activity one Stokes, the Master, set forth a *pretty book*, which was publish'd with many witty elegies before it*.

1638. My father order'd that I should begin to manage myne owne expenses, which till then my Tutor had done; at which I was much satisfied.

* It being now become extremely scarce, the title of it is here given: "The Vaulting Master, or the Art of Vaulting. Reduced to a method comprised under certain Rules. Illustrated by examples, and now primarily set forth, by Will. Stokes. Printed for Richard Davis, in Oxon, 1655." A small quarto, with the author's portrait prefixed, and a number of plates beautifully engrav'd (most probably by Gloucester) representing feats of activity on horseback that appear extraordinarily tame at this time of day. From the communication of James Blidley, Esq. a gentleman whose collection of ancient and valuable books is perhaps hardly to be equalled.

peach my liberty, and my vertue, with the rest who made shipwreck of both, it was more the infinite goodness and mercy of God than the least discretion of myne owne, who now thought of nothing but the pursuite of vanity, and the confused imaginations of young men.

15. I went to London, to heare and see the famous tryall of the Earle of Strafford, who on 22d March before had been summon'd before both Houses of Parliament, and now appear'd in Westerminster Hall, which was prepar'd with scaffolds for the Lords and Com'ns, who together with the King, Queene, Prince, and flower of the Noblesse, were spectators and auditors of the greatest malice and the greatest innocency that ever met before so illustrious an assembly. The E. of Arundell and Surrey, Earle Marshall of England, who made Hight Steward. The sequel is too well known.

27. Came over from Holland the young Prince of Orange, with a splendid equipage, to make love to his Ma'ties eldest daughter, the now Princess Royal.

That evening was celebrated the pompeous funerall of the Duke of Richmond, who was carried in effigie in an open chariot thro' London in great solemnity.

12th May. I beheld on Tower Hill the fatal stroke which sever'd the wisest head in England from the sholders of the Earle of Strafford; whose crime coming under the cognizance of no human law, a new one was made, not to be a precedent, but his destruction; to such exorbitancy were things arrived.

28 June. I went to London with my sister Jane, and the day after sate to one Vanderborcht for my picture in oyle, which I presented to her, being her request, on my resolution to absent myself from this ill face of things at home, which gave embrage to wiser than myselfe, that the medaill was reversing, and our calamities but yet in their infancy.

The 16th July, having procur'd a place at the Grattam-houz, I went to Gravesend, accompany'd with one Mr. Caryll and our servants, with a purpose to take the first opportunity of a passage for Holland: but the wind as yet not favourable. On the 18th we rode to Rochester and Chatham, to see the Sovereign, a massive vessel unparallel'd, being for burthen, defense, and ornamēt, the greatest shipps afloat.

cloth before the wind *, and especialy for this remarkable, that her building cost his Ma'tie the affections of his subjects, who quarrell'd with him for a tribute, refusing to contribute either to their own safety or his glory.

21. We embarked in a Dutch Fregat, bound for Flushing, convoyed and accompanied by 5 other stoute vessells, whereof one was a man of war. The next day at noon we landed at Flushing.

Being desirous to overtake the Leagure †, which was then before Genap ‡, 'ere the Summer should be too far expir'd, we went this evening to Midelbrogh and Derveer. From Derveer we passed over many townes, houses, and ruines of demolish'd suburbs, &c. which have formerly been swallow'd up by the sea, at what time no less than 8 of those Islands had been irrecoverably lost.

The next day we ariv'd at Dort, the first towne of Holland, furnish'd with all German commodities, and especially Rhemish wines and timber. It bath almost at the extremity a very spacious and venerable Church; a stately Senat-house, wherein was holden that famous Synod against the Armenians in 1618; and in that hall hangeth a picture of the *Passion*, an exceeding rare and much esteemed piece.

From Dort, being desirous to hasten towards the Army, I tooke wagon to Roterdam, where we were hurried in lesse than an houre, though it be 10 miles distant, so furiously do these Foremen drive. I saw the publiq. statue of the learn'd Erasmus, of brasse. They shew'd us his House, or rather the meane Cottage wherein he was borne, over which there were extant those lines in capital letters:

ÆDIBUS HIS ORTUS, MUNDUM DECORAVIT ERASMUS
ARTIBUS INGENUIS, RELIGIONE, FIDE.

The 26th I passed through Delft to the Hague; in which journey I observ'd divers leprous poor creatures dwelling in solitary huts on the

* Accidentally burnt at Chatham in 1696.

† Mr. Evelyn means, by this expression, to be in time to witness the siege, &c.

‡ On the West side whil'st having been greatly strengthened by the Cardinal Infante D. Fernando in 1636, was at this time besieged by the French and Dutch. There is a full account of the siege in the great work of Arzeaga, a man who with extraordinary patience compiled materials for the history of the United Provinces during the greater part of the seventeenth century. One of his authors was mortally wounded at this siege.

brink of the water, and permitted to ask the charity of passengers, which is convey'd to them in a floating box that they cast out.

Arriv'd at the Hague, I went first to the Queen's of Bohemia's Court; there were several of the Princesses her daughters; Prince Maurice newly come out of Germany, and my Lord Finch, not long before fled out of England from the fury of the Parliament. It was a fasting-day with the Queen, for the unfortunate death of her husband; and the Presence Chamber had been hung with black velvet ever since his decease.

The 26th I went by Leyden, and the 29th to Utrecht. We then came to Rynen, where the Queen of Bohemia hath a noble Palace or Country-house, built after the Italian manner as I remember. Then by Nimeguen. And, 2d of August, arriv'd at the Leugue, where was then the whole Army encamped about Genep; a strong castle on the river Wahale; but being taken 4 or 5 days before, we had only a sight of the demolitions. The next Sunday was the thanksgiving sermons perform'd in Col. Goreing's Regiment (eldest sonne of the since Earle of Norwich) by Mr. Goffe his Chaplin (now turned Roman and Father Confessor to the Queen-Mother). The evening was spent in firing canon, and other expressions of military triumphs.

Now, according to the compliment, I was received a Volunteer in the Company of Cap. Apsley, of whose Capt. Lieutenant Honywood (Apsley being absent) I received many civilities.

3 August, at night, we rod about the lines of circumvallation, the Gen'l being then in the field. The next day I was accommodated with a very spacious and commodious tent for my lodging, as before I was with an horse, which I had a command, and an hatt, which during the excessive heates was a greate convenience, for the sun piercing the canvass of the tent, it was, during the day, unpleasable, and at night not seldom infested with mists and toads, which ascended from the river.

6 At ~~the~~ ~~white~~ ~~stone~~ ~~church~~, I worked on a fortification
near our quarters, and frayed a pipe. Next morning, relieved
by a company of French. This was our "coastal" time, when we
were re-fortified.

The 7th I went to see a Convent of Franciscan Friars, not far from our town; the Chapell and Refectory full of the goods of such poor people as at the approch of the Army had fled with them thither for sanctuary. On the day following I went to view all the trenches, approaches, and mines, &c. of the Besiegers, and in particular the wheel-bridge, which engine his Excellency had made to run over the moate when they storm'd the castle. The walls and ramparts of earth, which a mine had broaken and crumbled, were of prodigious thicknesse.

8. I din'd in the Horse quarters with Sir Robert Stone and his Lady, Sir William Stradling, and divers Cavaliers, where there was very good cheere, but hot service for a young drinker as I then was.— Being pretty well satisfied with the confusion of Armies and Sieges (if such that of the United Provinces may be called, where their quarters and encampments are so admirably regular, and orders so exactly observed as few Cittys exceede it for all conveniences), I tooke my leave of the Leagure and Camerades.

12 August, I embarked on the Waal, in company with 3 grave Divines, who entertain'd us a greate part of our passage with a long dispute concerning the lawfulness of Church Musick. We touch'd at Bommell, that had divers English in garrison. It stands upon Contribution land, which subjects the environs to the Spanish incursions. We passed Lovestine, famous for the escape of the learned Grotins, whose lady conveyed him out as a trunk of books. We lay at Gorcum.

13. We arrived late at Rotterdam, where was their annual mart or faire, so furnished with pictures (especially Landskips and Drolleries, as they call those clownish representations) that I was amaz'd. Some I bought and sent into England. The reson of this store of pictures and their cheapness proceedes from their want of land to employ their stock, so that it is an ordinary thing to find a com'on Farmer lay out two or 3,000*£* in this comodity. Their houses are full of them, and they vend them at their faires to very greate gaines. Here I first saw an Eliphant. I passed thro' Delft, and visited the Church, where was the monument of Prince William of Nassau, and his sonn and successor, Grave Maules. The Secon't-house hath a very stately Portico, supported with very large pillars of black marble, as I remember, of one entire stone. Within, there hangs a weighty vessell, not unlike a Butter Churne,

which the adventurous woman that hath two husbands at one time is to weare for a time about the towne, her head coming out of the hole, and the rest hanging on her shoulders, as a penance for her intemtince. Eiswick is a stately country-houle of the Prince of Orange, for nothing more remarkable than the delicious walkes planted with lime trees, and the moderne paintings within.

19 August. We vissited the *Hoff* or Prince's Court at the Hague, with the adjoining gardens, which were full of ornament, close-walke, statues, marbles, grotts, fountains, and artificiall music^{*}, &c. There is a stately Hall, not much inferior to ours of Westminster, hung round with colours and other trophys taken from the Spaniards; and the sides below are furnish'd with shoppes†. Next day I return'd to Delft, Rotterdam, the Hague, Leyden, Haerlem, and Amsterdam, where I went to a Synagogue of the Jews, being Saturday; the ceremonies, ornaments, lamps, law, and seholes, afforded matter for my wonder and enquiry. The women were seclidde from the men, being seated above in galleries, and having their heads muffled with linen after a fantasticall and somewhat extraordinary fashion. They have a seperite burying-ground, full of sepulchres with Hebrew inscriptions, some of them very stately. In one, looking through a narrow crevice, I perceiv'd divers bookees lye about a corpe, for it seems when any learned Rabbi dies, they bury some of his books with him. With the help of a stick I raked out some of the leaves, written in Hebrew characters, but much impaired.—We stepp'd in to see the Spin-house, a kind of Bridewell, where incorrigible and lewd women are kept in discipline and labour, but all noate.—We were shew'd an Hospital for poor travellers and pilgrimes, built by Queenie Eliz. of England; and another maintained by the City.

The State or Senat-house, if the designe be perfettet, will be a magnificent piece of architecture, especially for the materials and the carvings. In the *Dool* is paynted on a very large table, *Maria de Medicis* statue to the breast, supported by three rural damsels, the work of one Vandall, who hath set his name to it, 1686.

* As at Enstone in Oxfordshire, see afterwards.

† Westminster Hall used to be so in Tyme time, upon the walling up of the King's Bench Prison, in the year of the reign of George III.

I went to hear an English sermon at the Presbyterian Congregation, where they had chalked upon a slate the psalms that were to be sung, so that all the congregation might see it without the bidding of a Clerk. After such an age no minister was permitted to preach, but had his maintenance continu'd during life.

I changed my lodgings out of a desire to converse amongst the Sectaries that swarm'd in this City. It was at a Brownist's house, where we had an extraordinary good table. There was in pension with us my L. Keeper Finch, and one Sir Jo. Fotherbee. Here I also found an English Carmelite, with another Irish gentleman. I went to see the Weese-house, a foundation like our Charter-house, for the education of decay'd persons, orphans, and poore children, where they are taught several occupations. The girls are so well brought up to housewifry, that men of good worth who seeke that cheifly in a woman, frequently take their wifes from this seminary. We went to see the Rasp-house, where the lusty knayes are compell'd to labour, and the rasping of Brasil and Logwood is very hard labour. Thence to the Dull-house, for madmen and fooles. But none did I so much admire as an Hospitall for their lame and decrepid scouldiers, it being for state, order, and acom'odations, one of the worthiest things that the world can shew of that nature. Indeede it is most remarkable what provisions are here made and maintai'n'd for publiq and charitable purposes, and to protect the poore from misery, and the country from beggers.

On Sunday morging about 11, after their sermons were ended, I went to see their Dog market, which lasts till two in the afternoon. I do not look on the structure of the Exchange to be comparable to that of Sir Tho. Gresham in of Citty of London, yet in one respect it exceeds; that ships of considerable burthen ride at the very key contiguous to it. It is by extraordinary industry that as well this Citty, as generally the townes of Holland, are so acom'odated wth graffs, cutts, sluices, moles, and rivera, that nothing is more frequent then to see a whole navy of marchands and others environ'd with streetes and houses, every man's barke or vessell at anker before his very doore, and yet the straete so exactly straite, even, and uniforme, that nothing can be more pleasing, especially being so frequently planted and

shaded with the beautifull lime-trees, set in rows before every man's house.

The next day we were entertain'd at a kind of ayre called the *Briloyl*, appertaining to a rich Anabaptist, where, in the open eomes of the house were divers pretty waterwoakes, rising 108 feet from the ground; here were many quaint devices, fountaines, artificiall musiq, noyses of beasts, and chirping of birds, &c. There was a lamp of brasse, with eight socketts from the middle stem, like those we use in churches, having counterfeit tapers in them, streams of water issuing as out of their wickes, the whole branch hanging loose upon the middest of a beame, without any other perceptible com'erce with any pipe, so that, unlesse it were by compression of the ayre with a syringe, I could not comprehend how it should be don. There was a chime of pur-slan dishes, which fitted to clock-works rung many changes and tunes.

The Keisers Graft, or Emperors Streeto, appears a citte in a wood through the goodly ranges of the stately lime-trees planted before each man's doore, and at the margin of that goodly squal-duct, or river, so curiously wharsed with clincars (a kind of white sun-bak'd brick), and of which the spacious streetes on either side are paved. This part of Amsterdam is gained upon the maine Sea, supported by piles at an im'ense charge. Prodigious it is to consider the multitude of vessels which continually ride before this City, which is certainly the most busie concourse of mortalls now upon the whole earth, and the most addicted to com'erce.

The Steeples are adorned after a particular manner for cost and invention: the Chimes of Bells are so rarely manag'd, that being curious to know whether the motion were from any engies, I went up to that of St. Nicholas (as I take it), where I found one who play'd all sorts of compositions from the tablature before him, as if he had fingered an organ, for so were the hammers fastened with wires to several keys, put into a frame 20 foot below the bells, upon which (by help of a wooden instrument, not much unlike a weaver's shuttle, that guardeth his hand) he struck on the keys and play'd in succession; all this while through the clattering of the wires, din of the 100 nearly sounding bells.

and noise that his wooden gloves made, the confusion was so great, that it was impossible for the musician, or any that stood neare him, to bear any thing himself; yet to those at a distance, and especially in the streets, the harmony and the time were the most exact and agreeable.

Generally there are in all the Churches in Holland, orgaus, lamps, monuments, &c. carefully preserved from the fury and impiety of popular reformers, whose zeale has foolishly transported them in other places rather to act like mad-men than religious.

I went to Hundius's shop to buy some mapps, greatly pleased with the designes of that indefatigable person. Mr. Bleaw, the setter forth of the Atlas's and other workes of that kind, is worthy seeing. At another shop I furnish'd myselfe with some shells and Indian curiosities.

Towards the end of August I returned to Haerlem by the river 10 miles in length, straighte as a line and of competent breadth for shippes to sail by one another. They shew'd us a cottage where, they told us, dwelt a woman who had been married to her 25th husband, and being now a widow was prohibited to marry in future, yet it could not be proved that she had ever made any of her husbands away; though the suspicion had brought her divers times to trouble.

This is a very delicate towne, and hath one of the fairest Churches, of the Gotiq design, I had seene. There hang in the steeple two silver bells, said to have been brought from Damiate in Egypt by an Earle of Holland, in memory of whose successe they are rung out every evening. In the Nave hang the goodliest branches of brasse for tapers that I had seene, esteem'd of great value for the curiositie of the workmanship; also a faire payre of organs, which I could not find they made use of in divine service, or so much as to assist them in singing psalmes, but only for shewe, and to recreate the people before and after their devotions.—There hang near the West window two modells of shippes completely equipp'd, in memory of that invention of saws under their keales with which they cutt the chayne before the Port of Damiate.—Having visited this Church, the Fish-market, and made some enquiry about the Printing-house, the invention whereof is sayd to have been in this towne, I returned to Leyden.

At Leyden I was carried up to the Castle, or Pyrgus, built on a very steep artificial mount, cast up (as reported) by Hengist the Saxon on his returne out of England, as a place to retyre to in case of any sudden inundations.

The Churches are many and very faire; in one of them Iye intent'd that prodigy of learning the noble and illustrious Joseph Scaliger, without any extraordinary inscription, as having himself left so many monuments of his worth behind him, more lasting than marble, besides giving his Library to this University.

28. I went to see their Colledge and Schoole, which are nothing extraordinary, and was matriculated by the then Magnificus Professor, who first in Latine demanded of me where my lodging in the tongue was, my name, age, birth, and to what faculty I addieted myself; then, recording my answers in a booke, he administered an oath to me that I should observe the statutes and orders of the University whiles I stay'd, and then deliver'd me a ticket by virtue whereof I was made excise-free, for all which worthy privileges and the paines of writing, he accepted of a rix-dollar.

Here was the famous Dan. Heinsius, whom I so long'd to see, as well as the Elzivirian printing-house and shop, renown'd for the politeness of the character and editions of what he has publish'd through Europe. I visited their garden of simples, w^{ch} was indeede well stor'd with exotic plants, if the Catalogue presented to me by the Gardiner be a faithfull register.

I was much pleased with a sight of their Anatomy schole, theater, and repository adjoining, which is well furnish'd with natural curiosities; skeletons from the whale and elephant to the fly and spider, which last is a very delicate piece of art, to see how the bones (if I may so call them) of so tender an insect could be separated from the mucilaginous parts of y^e minute animal. Amongst a great variety of other things, I was shew'd the knife newly taken out of a dead man Dutchman's guts by an incision in his side where it had clipt from his fingers into his stomach. The stumps of the fingers, &c. the patient, both living, were there.

There is without the Towne a faire Mill curiously poynted,

I was shew'd the statue, eat in stone, of the happy Monke whom they report to have been the first inventor of Typography, set over the doore; but this is much controverst by others, who strive for the glory of it, besides John Guttenberg.

I was broachte acquainted with a Burgundian Jew who had married an apostate Kentish woman. I asked him divers questions; he told me, amongst other things, that the world should never end, that our soules transmigrated, and that even those of the most holy persons did penance in the bodys of bruits after death, and so he interpreted the banishment and salvage life of Nebucodnezer; that all the Jewes should rise againe and be lead to Jerusalemu; that the Romans only were the occasion of our Saviour's death, whom he affirm'd (as the Turks do) to be a greate Prophet, but not the Messias; he shewed me severall bookeſ of their devotion, wh^{ch} he had translated into English for the instruction of his wife; he told me that when the Messias came, all the ſhips, barkes, and vefſells of Holland ſhould, by the powere of certaine ſtrange whirlwinds, be looſed from their ankers and transported in a moment to all the desolat ports and havens throughout the world where ever the diſperſion was, to convey their brethren and tribes to the holy Citey; with other ſuch like ſtuff. He was a merry drunken fellow.

1 Sept. I went to Delft and Roterdam, and two days after back to the Hague, to bespeake a ſuite of armoře which I cauſed to be made to fit me, with the harnesse of a horſeman. I went to ſee one of the Prince's Palaces, called The Hoff Van Hounſlers Dyck, which is a very magniſcent cloyſter'd and quadrangular building. The gallery is prettily payned with severall Huntiſgs, and at one end a Gordian knot, with ſeveral rusticall instruments ſo artificially repreſented as to deceiver an accute eye, to diſtinguiſh it from actual relieveo. The ceiling of the ſtaire-case is painfed with the Rape of Ganymede, and other pen-dent-figures, the works of F. Covenbergh, of whose hand I bought an excellent drallery, which I afterwards parted with to my brother George of Wotton, where it now hangs*. To this Palace joynes a faire gar-den and parkes, curiouſly planted wth limes.

* It is now there.

8th Sept: to Rotterdam thro' Delta-haven and Seedam, where was at that time Coll Goring's winter-quarters. This towne has heretofore been much talk'd of for witches.

10. I took waggon for Dordt, to be present at ye reception of the Queen Mother, Maria de Medices, Dowager of France, Widow of Henry the Greate, and Mother to the French King Lewis xiiij and the Queens of England, whence she newly arrived, to and fro by the various fortune of her life. From this City she design'd for Collin, [Cologne] conducted by the Earle of Arniadell and the Herr Van Brederod. At this interview I saw the Princessse of Orange, and the Lady her daughter, afterwards married to the House of Brandenbourg. There was little remarkable in this reception besitting the greatness of her person, but an universal discontent, which accompany'd that unlucky woman wherever she went.

12 Sept. I went towards Bois le Duke. We arrived on the 16th, when the New Citidall was advanceing with innumerable hands, and incomparable inventions for draining off the waters out of the fens about it, being by bucketts, mills, cocklea's, pumps, and the like. Here were now 16 companies and 9 tropes of horse. They were cutting a new river to passe from the Towne to a Castle not far from it. Here we split our skiff, falling fowle on another through negligence of the master, who was faine to run on ground, to our no little hazard. A Soldier convey'd us to the Governor, where our names were taken, and of persons examin'd very strictly. I was permitted to walk the round and view the workes, and to visite a Convent of religious women of the order of St. Clara, who by the capitulation were permitted to enjoy their monastery and maintenance undisturbed at the surrender of the towne 12 years since. We had a collation, and very dylit entertainment. They had a neat Chapell, in which the heart of the Duke of Cleve, their founder's, lies inhum'd under a plate of brass. Within the Cloyster is a garden, and in the middle of it an overgrownne lime-tree, root of whose stem, neare the roote, issue 5 upright and exceeding tall suckers or boles, the like whereof for exynesse and height I had not seyn'd.

The cheife Church is curiously carv'd within and without, with a paire of organs, and a most magnificant tonge all of copper.

18th. I went to that most impregnable towne and fort of Hysdune, where I was exceedingly obliged to one Colk Crombe the Lieutenant Governor, who would needs make me accept the honor of being Capt: of the Watch, &c to give the word this night.

18th. We departed towards Gorcum. Here S^r Kenelme Dighy travelling towards Colin met us.

19th. We arived at Dort, passing by the Decoys, where they catch inumerable quantities of fowle.

22. I went to Roterdam to receive a passe which I expected from the Cardinal Infante, then Governor for his brother the K^r of Spaine, in Flanders, being desirous to see that country in my returne for England, whither I was now shaping my course; and within 2 days after, having obtain'd another fr^m the Pr^r of Orange, on the 24th Sep^r I departed through Dort, but met with very bad tempestuous weather, being several times driven back, and oblig'd to lie at anker off Keele, other vessels lying there waiting better weather. The 25th and 26th we made other essays, but were driven back to the harbor, where lay 60 vessels waiting to sail. But on the 27th we, impatient of the tyme and inhospitablenesse of the place, sailed again with a contrary and impetuous wind, and a terrible sea, in greate jeopardy, for we had much ado to keepe ourselves above water, the billows breaking desperately on our vessel; we were driven into Williamstadt, a place garrison'd by the English, where the Gov^r had a faire house. The wörkes and especially the Counter-camp are curiously hedg'd with quick, and planted with a stately row of limes on the Rampart. The church is of a round structure with a Cupola.

28th. Failing of an appointment, I was constrained to returne to Dort for a bill of exchange, but it was the 1st of Oct^r ere I could get back; at Keele I numbered 141 vessels who durst not yet venture out; but animated by the master of a stout bark, after a small encounter of weather, we arriv'd by 4 that evening at Stene-bergen. In the passage we sailed over a sea call'd the Plaet, which is an exceeding dangerous water, by reason of 2 contrary tydes which meete there very impetuously. Here, because of the many shelves, we were forc'd to tyde it along the Channell; but, ere we could gaine the place, the ebb

was so far spent, that we were compelled to foot it all the way thro' a most pelting shower of rain.

2nd Oct'. I went in a cart (for it was no better, and no other accomodation could be procured) of 2 wheelles and one horse to Dungeness. Zome, meeting divers partys of his Highn^t Army retarding towards their winter quarters. The Fort was heretofore built by the English.

The next morning I embarked for Lillo, having refus'd a convoy of horse which was afforded me. The tyde being against us, we landed short of the Fort, on the beach, where we march'd half leg deep in mud ere we could gaine the dyke, w^t being 5 or 6 miles f^m Lillo, we were forced to walke on foote very wett and discompos'd, and then entering a boat we pass'd the Ferry, and came to the Castle. Being taken before the Governor, he demanded my passe, to which he set his hand, and asked 2 rix-dollars for a fee, w^t methought appeared very unhandsome in a Soldier of his quality. I told him that I had already purchased my passe of the Commissaries at Roterdam; at which, in a greate fury snatching the paper out of my hand, he flung it scornfully under a table, and bad me try whether I could get to Antwerp without his permission; but when I drew out the mony, he return'd it as scornfully again, bidding me pay 14 Dutch shill. to the Cantone, or Searcher, for my contempt, which I was also glad to do with a greate deale of caution and danger, concealing my Spanish passe, it being a matter of imprisonment, for that the States were therein treated by the names of Rebels. Besides all these extactions I gave the Comissey 6 shill., to the soldiers something, and 'ere perfectly cleare of this frontier 31 stivers to the man of war who lay blocking up the river twixt Lillo and the opposite sconce called Lifkinshoek.

4th Oct'. We passed several Spanish Ports, out of one of which came some Donas, to whom I shew'd my Spanish passe, which was signed by one, and I gave him 6 guilders. We pass'd by another man of war, to which we lower'd our topmasts, and so hasted on to Antwerp.

The lodgings here are very handsome and convenient. I have had tyme, but with the conduct of one Mr. Lewham visited divers Churches, Colledges, Monasteries, &c. The Church of the Jesuins

is most sumptuous and magnificent, a glorious fabriq without, and within wholly incrusted with marble, inlay'd and polish'd into divers representations of histories, landisks, flowers, &c. On the high altar is plac'd the Statue of the B. Virgin and our Saviour in white marble. The quire is a glorious piece; the pulpet is supported by four angels, and adorn'd with other carvings. There are rare pictures by Rubens, now lately deceased, and divers votive tables and reliques. The tower of Notre Dame d'Anvers, which is the Cathedrall Church, is a very venerable fabriq, built after the Gotick manner; the Tower is of an excessive heighth. I assended it to take a better view of the country. The sun shon exceeding hot, and darted the rayes without any intermission, affording so bright a reflection to us who were above, and had a full prospect of both land and water about it, that I was much confirmed in my opinion of the moon's being of some such substance as this earthly globe consists of; perceiving all the subjacent country, at so small a horizontal distance, to reperceas such a light as I could hardly look against, save where the river, and other large water within our view, appeared of a more dark and uniforme colour, resembling those spotts in the moone supposed to be seas there, according to our new philosophy, and viewed by optical glasses.

We went to see Jerusalem Church, affirmed to have been founded by one who, upon divers greate wagers, went to and fro betweene y^e Citty and Antwerp on foote, by which he procur'd greate sums of mony, which he bestow'd in this pious structure. Hence to St. Mary's Chappell, where I had some conference with two English Jesuites, Confessors to Coll. Gage his regiment. These Fathers conducted us to y^e Cloyster of religious women, where we heard a Dutch sermon at a Quarantia, or exposure of the Sacrament as they tearme it. The Senat-house of this Citty is a very spacious and magnificent building.

5th Oct^r I vissited the Jesuits schole, w^{ch} for the same of their method & institution I had greatly desir'd to see. They were divided into 4 classes with a several inscription over each; as, 1. *Ad majorem Dei gloriam*; over the 2d, *Princeps diligentie*; the 3d, *Imperator exercitum*; over the 4th and upmost, *Imperator Romanorum*. Under these the scholars and pupila had their places or formes, with

titles and priority according to their proficency. Their dormitory and lodgings above were exceeding neat. They have prisons for the offenders and lesse diligent; a court to recreate themselves, wherein is an aviary of birds, eagles, foxes, monkeys, &c. to divert the boys at their times of remission. To the house joyn music and mathematical schooles, and lastly a pretty chapell. The greate streets is built after a mere Italian mode, and is very faire and noble, cleane and sweete.

The *Oesters house*, belonging to the East India Company, is a most beautifull palace, adorn'd with more than 300 windows. From hence walking into the Gun-garden, I was suffered to see as much of the Citadell as is easily permitted to strangers. It is a matchless piece of modern fortification, accommodated with logiaments for the soldiers and magazines. The graffs, ramparts, and platforms, are stupendious. Returning by the shop of Plautius, I bought some bookees for the name-sake onely of that famous printer.

But there was nothing about this City which more ravished me than those delicious shades and walkes of stately trees, which render the fortifid workes of the towne one of the sweetest places in Europ; nor did I ever observe a more quiet, cleane, elegantly built, and civil place, then this magnificent and famous City of Antwerp. In the evening I was invited to Sig^r Duert's, a Portuguese by nation, an exceeding rich merchant, whose palace I found to be furnish'd like a prince's; his three daughters entertain'd us with rare musiq, vocal & instrumental, w^m was finish'd with a handsome collation. I tooke leave of the Ladys, and of sweete Antwerp, as late as it was, embarking for Bruxelles on the Sebeld, in a vessel which delivered'd us to a second boate (in another river) drawn or tow'd by horses. In this passage we frequently chang'd our barge, by reason of the bridges thwarding our course. Here I observed numerous families inhabiting these vessels, and floating dwellings, so built and divided by cabinnes, as few houses on land enjoy'd better accommodation, stor'd with all sorts of uterally neat chambers, a pretty parlour, and kitchen; whereof that nothing could be more refreshing. The rivers on which they are drawn are very clear & still waters, and pass through a most pleasant country on both the bankes. We had in our boat a very good ordinary, and

excellent company. The eitt is straight as a line for 20 English miles. What I much admir'd was, neere the midway, another artificial river, which intersects this at right angles, but on an eminence of ground, and is carried in an aqueduct of stone so far above the other as that the waters neither mingle nor hinder one another's passage*.

At Villefrow all the passengers went on shore to wash at a fountaine issuing out of a pillar, and then came aboard again. On the margin of this long tract are abundance of Shrines and Images, defended from the injuries of the weather by niches of stone in which they are placed.

7th Oct'. We arriv'd at Bruxelles at 9 in the morning. The State house, neere the market-place, is for the carving in freestone a most laborious and finished piece, well worthy observation. The flesh-shambles are also built of stone. I was pleased with certain small engines by which a girl or boy was able to draw up, or let downe, greate bridges, w^{ch} in divers parts of this Citty crossed y^e channell, for the beuchef of passengers. The walls of this Town are very i tyre, and full of towers at competent distances. The Cathedrall is on a very high and exceeding steepe ascent, to which we mounted by faire stepps of stone. Hence I walked to a Convent of English Nunnis, with whom I sate discoursing most part of the afternoone.

8th Oct'. being the morning I came away, I went to see the Prince's Court, which is an ancient, confus'd building, not much unlike the Hofft at the Hague; there is here likewise a very large Hall, where they vend all sorts of wares. Through this we passed by the Chapell, which is indeed rarely arch'd, and in the middle of it was the hearse or catafalco of the late Arch-Duchesse, the wise and pious Clara Eugenia. Out of this we were conducted to the lodgings, tapistry'd with incomparable arras, and adorn'd with many excellent pieces of Reubens, old and young Breughel, Titian, and Stenwick, with stories of most of the late actions in the Netherlands.

By an accident we could not see the Library. There is a faire terrace which looks to the Vine-yard, in which, on pedestalls, are fix'd

* As the Duke of Bridgewater's, in Lancashire.

the statues of all the Spanish Kings of the House of Austria. The opposite walls are painted by Rubens, being an history of the tumults in Belgia; in the last piece the Arch-Duchesse shutteth a greate payre of gates upon Mars, who is coming out of hell arm'd, and in a menacing posture. On another, the Infanta is seen taking leave of Don Philip.

From hence we walk'd into the Parke, which for being intirely within the walls of the Citty is particularly remarkable; nor is it less pleasant than if in the most solitary recesses, so naturally is it furnish'd with whatever may render it agreeable, melancholy, and country-like. Here is a stately herony, divers springs of water, artificial cascades, rocks, grotts, one whereof is composed of the extravagant rootes of trees cunningly built and hang together. In this Parke are both fallow and red deare.

From hence we were led into the Manege, and out of that into a most sweete and delicious garden, wher was another grott, of more neate and costly materials, full of noble statues, and entertaining us with artificial musiq; but the hedge of water, in forme of lattice worke, which the Montanier caused to ascend out of the earth by degrees, exceedingly pleased and surpris'd me, for thus with a perrious wall, or rather a palisad hedge, of water, was the whole parterre environ'd.

There is likewise a faire Aviary, and in the court next it are kept divers sorts of animals, rare and exotic fowl, as eagles, cranes, storkes, bustards, pheasants of several kinds, a duck having 4 wings, &c. In another division of the same close, are rabbits of an almost perfect yellow colour.

There was no Court now in the Palace, the Infanta Cardinal, who was the Governor of Flanders, being dead but newly, and every one in deepe mourning.

At near 11 o'clock, I repaired to his Majestys Agent Sir Henry De Vic, who very courteously receiv'd me and accomm'dated me with a coach & six horses, which carried me from Bruxelles to Gant, wher it was to meete my Lord of Arundel, Earle Marshal of England, who had requested me when I was at Antwerp, to send it for him, if I went not thither myselfe.

Thus taking leave of Bruxelles and a sad Court, yet full of gallant persons (for in this small Cittye the acquaintance being universal, Ladys and Gentlemen, I perceiv'd, had greate diversions and frequent meetings), I hasted towards Gant. On the way I met with divers little wagons prettily contrived and full of pedling merchandises, drawne by mastive-dogs, harnessed compleatly like so many coach-horses, in some 4, in others 6, as in Bruxelles it selfe I had observed. In Antwerp I saw, as I remember, 4 dogs draw 5 lusty children in a charriot, the master com'ands them whither he pleases, crying his wares about the streetes. After passing through Ouse, by 6 in the evening, I arriv'd at Ghent. This is a City of so great a circumference that it is reported to be 7 leagues round, but there is not half of it now built, much remaining in fields and pastures, even within the wall, which has strong gates towards the West, and two faire churches.

Here I beheld the Palace wherein John of Gaunt and Cha. V. were borne; the statue of the latter stands in the Market-place, on an high pillar, with his sword drawn, to which (I was told) the Magistrates and Bergers were wont to repaire on a certaine day every yeare w^m roaps about their necks, in token of subission & penance for an old Rebellion of theirs; but now the hemp is changed to a blew ribbon. Here is the Basilico, or great Gun, so much talked of. The Ley and the Scheldt meeting in this vast City divide it into 26 Islands, which are united by many bridges, somewhat resembling Venice. This night I supp'd with the Abbot of Andoyne, a pleasant and courteous priest.

8th Oct^r. I passed by boate to Bruges, taking in at a redout a convoy of 14 musketeers, because the other side of the river being Contribution land, was subject to the inroads and depredations of the bordering States. This river was cut by the famous Marquiss Spinola, and is in my judgment a wonderfull piece of labour, and is a worthy publick worke, being in some places forced thro' the maine rock, to an incredible depth, for 30 miles. At the end of each mile is built a small redout, which com'unicates a line to y^e next, and so the whole way, from whence we received many vollies of shot in compliment to my L^d Marshall, who was in o^r vessel, a passenger with us. At 5 that evening we were met by the Magistrates of Bruges, who came out to

convey my Lord to his lodgings, where he was enterwynaed that night at their cost.

The morning after we went to see the State-houle and adjoyning Aquaduct, the Church, and Market-place, where we saw cheeses and butter piled up in heapes; also the Fortifications and Grafts, which are extreamly large.

The 9th we arived at Ostend by a straights and artificial river. Here, wth leave of the Captaine of the Watch, I was carried to survey the river and harbour, with fortifications on one side thereof: the East and South are mud & earth walls. It is a very strong place, and lately stood a memorable siege 3 years, 3 moneths, 3 weeks, & 3 dayes. I went to see the Church of St. Peter, and the Cloysters of the Franciscans.

19th Oct. I went by wagon, accompany'd wth a jovial Commissary, to Dynkirk, the journey being made all on y^e sea sands. On o^r arrival we first viewed the Court of Guards; the Workes, the Towne-houle, and the New Church; the latter is very becutfull within; and another wherein they shew'd us an excellent piece of our Saviour's bearing the Crosse. The Harbour in two channels coming up to the Towne was choaked wth a multitude of prizes.

From hence, the next day, I marched three English miles towards the packet-boate, being a pretty fregat of 6 guns, which embarked us for England about 3 in the afternoone.

At our going off, the Fort against which our pinnace ankered saluted my Lord Marshall with 12 greate guns, which we answered with 3. Not having the wind favorable, we ankered that night before Calais. About midnight we weighted; and at 4 in the morning, tho' not far from Dover, we could not make the Peere till 4 in the afternoon, the wind proving contrary and driving us Westward; but at last we got on shore, Oct^r the 12th.

From Dover I flatting... ... to Canterbury. There I visited the Cathedrall, then in great splendor, those famous windows being intire, since demolish'd by the Phenix. The next morning by Dittonbourn I came to Rochester, and thence to Gravesend, where a Light-horse-man (as they call it) taking us in, we spent our ride no far-

at Greenwich: From hence, after we had a little refresh'd ourselves at the Colledge (for by reason of y^e contagion then in London we baulked the Inn), we came to London, landing at Arundel-stayres: here I took leave of his Lordship; and retyred to my lodgings in the Middle Temple, being about 2 in the morning.

16th Oct^r. I went to see my brother at Wotton. On the 31st of that moneth (unfortunate for the Irish Rebellion, which broke out on the 23d) I was one and twenty yeares of age.

7 Nov. I visited my Lord Marshal at Albury.

23 Nov. I returned to London; and on the 25th saw his Majesty ride thro' the Citty after his coming out of Scotland, and a Peace proclaym'd, w^t greate acclamation and joy of the giddy people.

15th Dec^r. I was elected one of the Comptrolers of the Middle Temple-revellers; as the fashion of y^e young Students and Gentlemen was, the Christmas being kept this yeaer, with greate solemnity; but being desirous to passe it in the Country, I got leave to resigne my stafie of office, and went with my brother Rich^d to Wotton.

10th Jan^r 1642. I gave a visite to my cousin Hatton of Ditton.

19. I went to London, where I stayed till 5th March, studying a little, but dancing and fooling more.

3rd Oct^r. I went to Chichester, and hence the next day to see the Seige of Portsmouth, for now was that bloody difference betweene the King and Parlia^t broken out, which ended in the fatal tragedy so many years after. It was on the day of its being render'd to Sir W^m Waller, which gave me an opportunity of taking my leave of Coll. Goring the Governor, now embarqueing for France.

From thence I went to South-ton and Winchester, where I visited the Castle, Schole, Church, and King Arthur's Round Table, but especially the Church, and its Saxon Kings Monuments, which I esteemed a worthy antiquity.

3 Oct^r was fought that signal Battaille at Edgehill.

12th Nov^r was the Battle of Brainesford surprisangly fought, and to the greate consternation of the City had his Majesty (as twas believed he would) perdi^d his advantage. I came in w^t my horse and armes just at the retreat, but was not permitted to stay longer than the 15th

by reason of this Army's marching to Gloucester, which would have left both me and my brothers expos'd to ruine, without any advantage to his Ma^{ts}.

7th De^r. I went from Wotton to London to see the so much celebrated line of com'unication, and on the 10th returned to Wotton, no body knowing of my having ben in his Ma^{ts} Army.

1643. 10th March. I went to Hartingfordberry, to visite my cousin Keightly.

11th. I went to see my Lord of Salisbury's Palace at Hatfield, where the most considerable rarity besides the house (inferior to few then in England for its architecture) was the garden and vineyard rarely well water'd and planted. They also shew'd us the picture of Secretary Cecil in mosaic worke, very well don by some Italian hand.

I must not forget what amazed us in the night before, viz. a shining clowd in the ayre, in shape resembling a sword, the point reaching to the North: it was as bright as the moone, the rest of the sky being very serene. It began about 11 at night, and vanish'd not till about one, being seen by all the South of England.

I made many journies to and from London.

15 April. I went to Hatfield, and neere the Town of Hertford I went to see Sir J. Harris [Harrison] his house new built*. Returning to London, I called to see his Majesty's house and gardens at Theobalds, since demolish'd by the rebels.

2nd May. I went to London, where I saw the furious and zealous people demolish that stately Crosse in Cheapside. On the 4th I return'd, with no little regrett for the confusion that threaten'd us. Resolving to possess myselfe in some quiet if it might be, in a time of so great jealousy, I built by my Brother's permission a *study*, made a *fishpond*, an island, and some other solitudes and retirements, at Wotton, which gave the first occasion of improving them to those water-works and gardens which afterwards succeeded them.

* Now call'd Bells Park, belonging to Lord John Townshend, who inherit't from his grandmother, Lady Viscountess Townshend, who was a Mrs. Harrison, and wife to Charles, Viscount Townshend, Secretary of State to George the Second.

12 July. I sent my black manege horse and furniture with a friend to his Ma^{re} then at Oxford.

23. The Covenant being pressed, I absented myselfe ; but finding it impossible to evade the doing very unhandsome things, and which had beene a greate cause of my perpetual motions hitherto between Wotton & London, Oct. 2nd I obtained a lycence of his Ma^{re}, dated at Oxford and sign'd by the King, to travell againe.

6 Nov. Lying by the way from Wotton at Sir Ralph Whitfield's, at Blechingles, (whither both my Brothers had conducted me), I ariv'd at London on the 7th, and 2 days after took boate at the Tower-wharfe, which carry'd me as far as Sittingburne, tho' not without danger, I being onely in a payre of oares, expos'd to a hideous storme ; but it pleas'd God we got in beforo the perill was considerable. From thence I went by post to Dover, accompany'd with one Mr. Thicknesse, a very deare friend of mine*.

Having a reasonable good passage, though the weather was snowy and untoward enough, we came before Calais, where, as we went on shore, mistaking the tyde, or shallop struck on y^e sands, with no little danger, but at length we got off.

Calais is well fortified, in the old Castle and new Citadell, reguarding the Sea. The haven consists of a long banke of sand, lying opposite to it. The Market-place and the Church are remarkable things, besides the reliques of our former dominion there. I remember there was engraven in stone on the front of an ancient dwelling w^t was shew'd us, these words in English, *God save the King*, with the name of y^e architect and date. The walls of the towne are substantial, but the situation towards the land is not pleasant, by reason of the marshes and low groundes about it.

12 Nov. After dinner we tooke horse with the Messagere, hoping to have ariv'd at Bollogne that night ; but there fell so great a snow, accompanied w^t hayle, raiu, and suddaine darknesse, that we had much adoe to gaine the next village ; and in this passage being to crosse a valley by a causeway and a bridge built over a small river, the raine that had fallen making it an impetuous streame for neare a quarter

* The gentleman he mentioned as so much assisting his studies at Oxford, p. 7.

of a mile, my horse slipping had almost been the occasion of my perishing. We none of us went to bed, for the showers in those parts leaving little in the villages, we had enough to do to get ourselves dry by morning, between the fire and the fresh straw. The next day early we arriv'd at Bollogue.

This is a double towne, one part on a high Rock, or downes, the other, called y^e Lower Towne, is yet wth a great declivity towards the Sea. There is a strong Castle on a notable eminence. Under the towne runs the river, which is yet but an inconsiderable brooke. Hen. 8th. in the siege of this place is said to have used those greate leatherne guns which I have since seen in the Tower of London, inscribed *Non Marte opus est, cui non deficit Mercurius*, if at least the history be true, w^{ch} my Lord Herbert doubts*.

The next morning, in some danger of party's [Spanish] surprising us, we came to Monstreuil, built on the sum'it of a most conspicuous hill, environ'd with faire and ample meadows, but all the suburbs had been from time to time ruijd, and were now lately burnt by the Spanish inroads. This towne is fortified with 2 very deep dry ditches; the walls about the bastions and citadal are a noble piece of masonry.

The Church is more glorioue without then within. The Market-place is large, but the inhabitants are miserably poore. The next day we came to Abbeville, having pass'd all this way in continual expectation of the volunteeres, as they call them. This Towne affords a good aspect towards the hill from whence we descended, nor does it deceive us, for it is handsomely built, and has many pleasant and useful streames passing through it, the maine river being the Some, which discharges it selfe into the Sea at St. Valery, almost in view of the towne. The principal Church is a very handsome piece of Gothic architecture, and the ports and ramparts planted for ornament. They brought us choice of guns and pistolls to sell at reasonable rates, and neatly made, being here a merchandize of grete account, the towne abounding in gun-smiths.

Hence we advanced to Beauvais, a towne of good note, and having the first vineyards we had seen. The next day to Beaujeau, and the

* In his History of their King.

morrow to Paris, having taken our repast at St. Denys, 2 leagues from that greate City. St. Denys is considerable only for its stately Cathedrall, and the dormitory of the French Kings, there inhum'd as ours at Westmistr' Abbey. The treasury is esteemed one of the richest in Europe. The Church was built by King Dagobert, but since much enlarged, being now 390 foote long, 100 in breddth, and 80 in height, without comprehending the cover; it has a very high shaft of stone, and the gates are of brasse. In the choir are the sepulchres of the most ancient Kings: without it are many more; amongst the rest that of Bertrand du Guesclin, Constable of France; in the Chapell of Cha' V. all his posterity, and neere him the magnificent sepulchre of Francis I. with his children, warres, victories, and triumphs, engraven in marble. Above are bodies of several Saints; below, under a state of black velvet, the late Lewis xijj. Every one of the 10 chapels, or oratories, had some Saints in them; amongst the rest, one of the Holy Innocents. The treasury is in the sacristy above, in which are crosses of massy gold and silver, studded with precious stones, one of gold 3 feet high. Amongst the still more valuable reliques are a haile from our Saviour's Cross, in a box of gold full of precious stones; a crucifix of the true wood of the Crosse, carved by Pope Clement III. inchas'd in a crystal covered with gold; a box in which is some of the Virgin's haire; some of the linnen in w^{ch} our blessed Saviour was wrapped at his nativity; in a huge reliquary modelled like a church, some of our Saviour's blood, hair, cloathes, linuen with which he wiped the Apostles feet; with many other equally authentic reliques. Amongst the treasures is the Crowne of Charlemagne, his 7 foote high scepter and hand of justice, his sword, belt, and spurrs of gold; the Crowne of St. Lewis, cover'd with precious stones, amongst which is one vast ruby, uncut, of inestimable value, weighing 300 carats, (under which is set one of the thorns of our blessed Saviour's crowne,) his sword, seal, and hand of justice. The 2 crownes of Hen. IV. his sceptre, hand of justice, and spurrs. The 2 crowns of his son Lewis. In the chaste royall of Anne of Bretagne is a very greate and rare rubie. Divers bookes cover'd with solid plates of gold and studded with precious stones. Two vasas of berill, 2 of achate, whereof one is

esteemed for its bignesse, colour, and carving imbut'd, the best now to be scene; by a special favour I was permitted to take the measure & dimensions of it; the story is a Bacchanalia. It is really antique. There is a large gundola of chrysolite, a huge urn of porphyry, another of chalcedone, a vasa of onyx, the largest I had ever seen of that stone, 2 of chrystal; a morsel of one of the water-pots in which our Saviour did his first miracle; the effigies of the Queen of Saba, of Julius, Augustus, Marc Antony, Cleopatra, and others, upon saphyrs, topazes, agates, and cornelians; that of the Queen of Saba has a Moriah face; those of Julius and Nero on achates rarely colour'd and cut. A cup in which Solomon was us'd to drinke. Apollo on a great amethyst. These lay in a window a miroir of a kind of stone said to have belonged to the poet Virgil. Charlemayne's chessmen, full of Arabiq. characters. In the presse next the doore, the brasse lanthorn full of crystals, said to have conducted Judas and his company to apprehend o' B. S. A faire unicorne's horn, sent by a K. of Persia, about 7 foote long. In another presse (over which stands the picture in oil of their Orleaus Amazon with her sword), the effigies of the late French Kings in wax, like ours in Westminster, covered with their robes, with a world of other rarities. Having rewarded o' courteous fryer, we tooke horse for Paris, where we ariv'd about five in the afternoone. In the way were faire crosses of stone carv'd with fleurs de lys at every furlong's end, where they affirme St. Denys rested and layd down his head after martydom, carrying it from the place where this monastery is builded. We lay at the Ville de Venice; I went to visite Sir Rich^d Browne, his Ma^m Resident with the French King.

5 Dec. The Earl of Norwich * came as Ambassador Extraordinary. I went to meet him in a coach and six horses, at the palace of Mons^t de Bassompierre, where I saw that gallant person, his gardens, terraces, and rare prospects. My lord was waited on by the master of the ceremonies, and a greata cavalcade of men of quality, to the Palais Cardinal, where on the 23d he had audience of the French King and the Queen Regent his mother, in the golden chambers of presence. From thence I conducted him to his lodgings in Rue St. Denys, and we took my leave.

* So created, having been George Lord Goring.

24th. I went to see the Isle encompassed by the Seine and the Oyse. The City is divided into 3 parts, whereof the Towne is greatest. The City lyes between it and the University, in form of an island. Over the Seine is a stately bridge called Pont Neuf, begun by Hen. 3. in 1578, finished by Hen. 4. his successor. It is all of hewn free stone found under the streets, but more plentifully at Mont-Martyre; and consists of 12 arches, in the midst of which ends the poynt of an island, on which are built handsome artificers houses. There is one large passage for coaches, and 2 for foot passengers 3 or 4 feet higher, and of convenient breadth for 8 or 10 to go abreast. On the middle of this stately bridge on one side stands that famous statue of Hen. the Great on horseback, exceeding the natural proportion by much; and on the 4 faces of a stately pedestal, (which is compos'd of various sorts of polish'd marble and rich mouldings,) inscriptions of his victories and most signal actions are engraven in brasse. The statue and horse are of copper, the worke of the greate John di Bologna, and sent from Florence by Ferdinand the First, and Cosmo the 2d, unkle and cousin to Mary di Medicea, the wife of this K. Henry. It is inclos'd with a strong and beautifull grate of yron, about which there are allways mountebances shewing their feates to idle passengers. From hence is a rare prospect towards the Louver and suburbs of St. Germaines, the Isle of du Palais, and Notre Dame. At the foote of this bridge is a water house, on the front whercof, at a great height, is the story of our Saviour and the Woman of Samaria powring water out of a bucket. Above is a very rare dial of severall motions, with a chime, &c. The water is convey'd by huge wheeles, pumps, and other engines, from the river beneath. The confluence of the people and multitude of coaches passing every moment over the bridge, to a new spectator is an agreeable diversion. Other bridges there are, as that of Notre Dame, and the Pont au Change, &c. fairly built, with houses of stone, which are laid over this river: only the Pont St. Anne, landing the suburbs of St. Germaine at the Tuilleries, is built of wood, having likewise a water house in the middst of it, and a status of Neptune casting water out of a whale's mouth, of lead, but much inferior to the Saviour's.

The University lyes South-West on higher ground, contiguous to, but the lesser part of Paris. They reckon no less than 65 Colleges; but they in nothing approach ours at Oxford for state and order. The book-sellers dwell within the University. The Scholes (of which more hereafter) are very regular.

The suburbs are those of St. Denys, Honore, St. Marcel, Jaques, St. Michel, St. Victoire, and St. Germaines, which last is the largest, and where the nobility and persons of the best quality are seated; and truly Paris, comprehending the suburbs, is, for the material the houses are built with, and many noble and magnificent piles, one of the most gallant Cittyes in the world; large in circuit, of a round forme, very populous, but situated in a botome, environ'd wth gentle declivities, rendering some places very dirty, and making it smell as if sulphure were mingled wth the mudd; yet it is pav'd with a kind of free-stone, of neere a foote square, which renders it more easy to walk on than our pebles in London.

On Christmas eve I went to see the Cathedrall of Notre Dame, erected by Philip Augustus, but begun by K. Robert son of Hugh Capet. It consists of a Gotiq fabriq, supported by 120 pillars, which make 2 miles in the Church round about the quire, without comprehending the Chapells, being 174 paces long, 60 wide, and 100 high. The Quire is enclos'd wth stone worke, graven with the sacred history, and containes 45 Chapells cancell'd wth iron. At the front of the chife entrance are statues in rellevo of the Kings, 28 in number, from Childebert to the founder, Philip; and above them are two high white Toweis, and another of a smaller size, bearing a Spire in the middle, where the body of the Church formes a Crosse. The grete Tow'r is ascended by 389 steps, having 16 gallerys from one to y^e other. They greatly reverence the Crucifix over the entrance of y^e Quire, wth an image of the B. Virgin. There are some good moderne paintings hanging on the pillars: the most conspicuous statue is the huge Colonne of St. Christopher, wth divers other figures of men, horses, &c. roiall about this gigantic piece, being of one stone, and very remarkable for its bulthe than any other perfection. This is the royall Church of R. S. Comunity, having Arch-deacons, Vicars, Canons, Prebendaries, and Choristers.

in good store, to y^e number of 127. It is also the Palace of the Archbishop. The young King was there w^t a greate and martial guard, who shew'd the Nave of the Church w^t drums and fifes, at the ceasing of which I was entertain'd with the church musiq.

1644. 4 Jan^r. I pass'd this day with one Mr. Jo. Wall, an Irish gentleman, who had been a Frier in Spaine, and afterwards a Reader in St. Isodore Chayre at Rome, but was, I know not how, getting away, and pretending to be a Souldier of fortune, an absolute Cavaliere, having as he told us been Capt. of Horse in Germany. It is certaine he was an excellent disputant, and so strangely given to it that nothing could passe him. He would needes perswade me to goe with him this morning to the Jesuites Colledge, to witnesse his polemicall talent. We found the Fathers in their Church at the Rue St. Anthoine, where one of them shew'd us that noble fabriq, which for its cupola, pavings, incrustations of marble, the pulpit, altars (especially the high altar), organ, *lavatorium*, &c. but, above all, the richly carv'd and incomparable front, I esteeme to be one of the most perfect pieces of architecture in Europ, emulating even some of the greatest now at Rome itself; but this not being what o' Frier sought, he led us into the adjoyning Couvent, where having shew'd us the Library, they began a very hot dispute on some poynts of Divinity, which o' Cavalier contested onely to shew his pride, and to that indiscreete height that the Jesuits would hardly bring us to our coach, they being put beside all patience. The next day we went into the University, and into the College of Navarre, which is a spacious well-built quadrangle, having a very noble Library.

Toence to the Sorbonne, an antient fabriq built by one Robert de Sorbonne, whose name it retaines, but the Restauracion which the late Cardinal de Richlieu has made to it renders it one of the most excellent modern buildings; the sumptuous Church, of admirable architecture, is far superior to the rest. The cupola, portico, and whole designe of the Church is very magnifificent.

We went into some of the Scholes, and in that of Divinity we found a grave Doctor in his chair, with a multitude of auditors, who all wrote unto themselves; and this they call a Course. After we had sate a

little, or Cavalier started up, and rudely enough began to dispute w^m the Doct^r; at which, and especially as he was clad in y^e Spanish habit, which in Paris is the greatest bugbare imaginable, the Schollars & Doctor fell into such a fit of laughter that nobody could be heard speake for a while; but silence being obtain'd, he began to speake Latine, and make his apology in so good a style, that their derision was turn'd to admiration, & beginning to argue, he so baffled the Professor, that with universal applause they all rose up and did him greate honors, waiting on us to the very streete and our coach, testifying greate satisfaction.

3rd Feb. I went to the Exchange. The late addition to the buildings is very noble, but the gallerys where they sell their petty merchandize are nothing so stately as ours at London, no more than the place where they walke below, being onely a low vault.

The Palais, as they call the upper part, was built in y^e time of Philip the Faire, noble and spacious. The greate Hall annex'd to it is arched with stone, having a range of pillars in the middle, round which and at the sides are shops of all kinds, especially Booksellers. One side is full of pewes for the Clearkes of the Advocates, who swarme here (as ours at Westminster). At one of y^e ends stands an altar, at which Masso is said daily. Within are several Chambers, Courts, Treasuries, &c. Above that is the most rich and glorious Salle d'Audience, the Chamber of St. Lewis, and other superior Courts where the Parliament sits, richly gilt on embossed carvings & fretts, and exceeding beautified.

Within the place where they sell their wares is another narrower gallery full of shoppes and toys, &c. which lookes downe into y^e Prison yard. Descending by a large payre of stayres we passed by St. Chappelle, which is a Church built by St. Lewis, 1242, after the Gotiq manner; it standeth on another Church w^m is under it, sustain'd by pillars at y^e sides, w^m seeme so weak as to appear extraordinary in y^e artist. This Chapell is most famous for its Reliques, having, as they pretend, almost the intyre Crowne of Thorne; the Achat Parise, rarely sculptur'd; judg'd one of the largest & best in Europ. There was now a very beautifull Spire erecting. The Court below is very spacious, capable of holding many coaches, and enrounded with shoppes, especially

Engravers, Goldsmiths, and Watchmakers. In it is a fayre Fountaine & Portico. The Isle du Palais consists of a triangular brick building, whereof one side, looking to the river, is inhabited by Goldsmiths. Within the court are private dwellings. The front looking on the greate bridge is possess'd by Mountebanks, Operators, and Puppet-players. On the other part is the every day's market for all sorts of provisions, especially bread, hearbs, flowers, orange-trees, choyce shrubbs; here is a shop called Noah's Arke, where are sold all curiosities, naturall or artificial, Indian or European, for luxury or use, as cabinets, shells, ivory, porseлан, dried fishes, insects, birds, pictures, and a thousand exotic extravagances. Passing hence we viewed the Port Dauphine, an arch of excellent workmanship; the street, bearing the same name, is ample and straite.

4 Feb. I went to see the Marais de Temple, where is a noble Church and Palace, heretofore dedicated to the Knights Templars, now converted to a Piazza, not much unlike ours at Covent Garden, but larger, and not so pleasant, tho' built all about with divers considerable palaces.

The Church of St. Genevieve is a place of greate devotion, dedicated to another of their Amazous sayd to have deliver'd the City from y^e English, for which she is esteem'd the tutelary Saint of Paris. It stands on a steepe eminence, having a very high spire, and is govern'd by Canons Regular.

At the Palais Royale Hen. IV. built a faire quadrangle of stately Palaces, arched underneath. In the middle of a spacious area stands on a noble pedestal, a brazen Statue of Lewis XIII. w^{ch} tho made in imitation of that in y^e Roman Capitol, is nothing so much esteem'd as that on y^e Pont Neuf.

The Hospital of the Quinz-Vingts in Rue St. Honoré is an excellent foundation; but above all is the Hotel Dieu for men and women, neare Notre Dame, a princely, pious, and expensive structure. That of the Charité gave me great satisfaction in seeing how decently and Christianly the sick people are attended, even to delicacy. I have seen them served by noble persons, men and women. They have also gardens, walke, & fountaines. Divers persons are here cutt for the stone with

greate successe yearly in May. The 2 Chastelets (supposed to have been built by Julius Cesar) are places of Judicature in Criminal Causes, to which is a strong Prison. The Courts are spacious and magnificent.

8 Feb. I took coach and went to see the famous Jardine Royale, which is an enclosure walled in, consisting of all varieties of ground for planting and culture of medical simples. It is well chosen, having in it hills, meadows, wood and upland, naturall and artificial, and is richly stor'd with exotic plants. In the middle of the Parterre is a faire fountaine. There is a very fine house, chapel, laboratory, orangery, & other accom'odations for the President, who is allways one of the King's cheife Physicians.

From hence we went to the other side of the towne, and to some distance from it, to the Bois de Vincennes, going by the Bastille, wh^{ch} is the Fortresse Tower and Magazine of this great City. It is very spacious within, and there the Grand Master of the Artillery has his house, with faire gardens and walks.

The Bois de Vincennes has in it a square and noble Castle, with magnificent apartnents, fit for a Royal Court, not forgetting the Chapell. It is the chiefe Prison for persons of quality. About it there is a parke walled in, full of deere, and in one part is a grove of goodly pine-treces.

The next day I went to see the Louvre with more attention, its severall Courts and Pavilions. One of the quadrangles, begun by Hen. IV. and finish'd by his son and grandson, is a superb but mix'd structure. The cornices, mouldings, & compartments, wth the insertion of severall colour'd marbles, have been of great expence.

We went through the long gallery, pav'd wth white & black marble, richly fretted and paynted à fresco. The front looking to the river, tho' of rare worke for y^e carving, yet wants of that magnificence which a plainer and truer designe would have contributed to it.

In y^e Cour aux Thuilleries is a princely fabriq; the winging geometrical stone stayres, with the cupola, I take to be as bold and noble a piece of architecture as any in Europ of the kind. To this is a Corps de Logis, worthy of so greate a Prince. Under these buildings, third

a garden in which is an ample fountaine, was the King's printing-house, and that famous letter so much esteem'd. Here I bought divers of the classiq authors, poets & others.

We return'd through another gallery, larger, but not so long, where hung the pictures of all the Kings and Queenes and prime Nobility of France.

Descending hence, we went into a lower very large room, call'd the Salle des Antiques, which is a vaulted Cimelia, destin'd for statues only, amongst which stands the so celebrated *Diana of the Ephesians*, said to be the same which utter'd oracles in that temple. There is a huge globe suspended by chaynes. The pavings, inlayings, and incrustations of this Hall are very rich.

In another more privat garden towards the Queene's apartment is a walke or cloyster under arches, whose terrace is paved with stones of a greate breadth; it looks towards the river, and has a pleasant aviary, fountaine, stately cypresses, &c. On the river are seen a prodigious number of barges and boates of great length, full of hay, corne, wood, wine, &c. Under the long gallery dwell goldsmiths, paynters, statuaries, and architects, who being the most famous for their art in Christendom, have stipends allowed them by the King. We went into that of Mon^r Saracin, who was moulding for an image of a Madona to be cast in gold, of a greate size, to be sent by the Queene Regent to Lauretto, as an offering for the birth of the Dauphine, now the young King.

I finish'd this day with a walke in the greate garden of the Thuileries, which is rarely contrived for privacy, shade, or company, by groves, plantations of tall trees, especialy that in y^e middle, being of elmes, another of mulberys. There is a labyrinth of cypresse, noble hedges of pomegranates, fountaines, fishponds, and an aviary. There is an artificial echo, redoubling the words distinctly, and it is never without some faire nymph singing to it. Standing at one of the focus's, which is under a tree, or little cabinet of hedges, the voice seems to descend from the clouds; at another as if it was under-ground. This being at the bottom of y^e garden, we were let into another, which being kept with all imaginable accuratenesse as to the orangery, pre-

cious shrubes, and faire fruities, seem'd a paradise. From a terrace in this place we saw so many coaches, as one would hardly think could be maintained in the whole City, going, late as it was in the year, towards the Course, which is a place adjoyning, of neere an English mile long, planted with 4 rows of trees, making a large circle in the middle. This Course is walled about, neere breast high, w^t squar'd freestone, and has a stately arch at the entrance, with sculpture and statues about it, built by Mary di Medices. Here it is that the gallants and ladys of y^e Court take the ayre and divert themselves, as with us in Hide Park, the circle being capable of containing an hundred coaches to turne comodiously, and the larger of the plantations for 5 or 6 coaches a brest.

Returning through the Thuilleries, we saw a building in which are kept wild beasts for the King's pleasure, a beare, a wolfe, a wild boare, a leopard, &c.

27 Feb. Accompany'd with some English gent^r. we tooke horse to see St. Germain en Lay, a stately country-house of the King, some 5 leagues from Paris. By the way we alighted at St. Cloes, where, on an eminence neere the river, the Archbishop of Paris has a garden, for the house is not very considerable, rarely water'd and furnish'd with fountaines, statues, and groves; the walkes are very faire; the fountain of Laocoön is in a large square pool, throwing the water neere 40 feet high, and having about it a multitude of statues and basinges, and is a surprising object; but nothing is more esteem'd than the cascade falling from the greate stepps into the lowest and longest walke from the Mount Parnassus, which consists of a grotto, or shell house, on y^e sum'it of the hill, wherein are divers water-workes and contrivances to wet the spectators; this is covered with a fayre capola, the walles paynted with the Muses, and statues placed thick about it, whereof some are antiq and good. In the upper walkes are two perspectives, seeming to enlarge the allys. In this garden are many other contrivances. The Palace, as I said, is not extraordinary. The outer walles onely paynted a fresca. In y^e Court is a Volary, and the statues of Cha. IX. Hen. III. IV. and Lewis XIII. on horseback, mezzo-relievod in plaster. In the garden is a small chapell, and

under shelter is the figure of *Cleopatra*, taken from the Belvidere original, wth others. From the tarrace above is a tempest well paynted, and there is an excellent prospect towards Paris, the meadows, & river.

At an inn in this village is an host who treats all the greate persons in princely lodgings for furniture and plate, but they pay well for it, as I have don. Indeed the entertainment is very splendid, and not unreasonable, considering the excellent manner of dressing their meate, and of the service. Here are many debauches and excessive revellings, being out of observance.

About a league farther we went to see Cardinal Richelieu's villa at Ruell. The house is small, but fairely built, in form of a castle moated round. The offices are towards the road, and over against it are large vineyards walled in.

Thongh the house is not of the greatest, the gardens about it are so magnificent that I doubt whether Italy has any exceeding it for all rarities of pleasure. The garden nearest the pavilion is a parterre, having in y^e middst divers noble brasse statues, perpetually spouting water into an ample bassin, with other figures of the same metal; but what is most admirable is the vast enclosure, and variety of ground, in y^e large garden, containing vineyards, cornefields, meadows, groves (whereof one is of perennial greens), and walkes of vast lengthes, so accurately kept and cultivated, that nothing can be more agreeable. On one of these walkes, within a square of tall trees, is a basilise* of copper, wth managed by the fountaniere casts water neare 60 feet high, and will of itself move round so swiftly, that one can hardly escape wetting. This leads to the Citroniere, where is a noble conserve of all those rarities; and at the end of it is the *Arch of Constantine*, painted on a wall in oyle, as large as the real one at Rome, so well don that even a man skill'd in painting may mistake it for stone and sculpture. The skie and hills which seem to be betweene the arches are so naturall that swallows and other birds, thinking to fly through, have dashed themselves against the wall. At the further part of this walke

* The imaginary animal or serpent so called.

is that plentiful though artificial cascade which rolls down a very steepe declivity, and over the marble steps and bassins, wth an astonishing noyse and fury; each basin hath a jetto in it, flowing like sheetes of transparent glasse, especialy that which rises over the greate shell of Mad, from whence it glides silently downe a channell thro' the middle of a spacious gravel walke terminating in a grotto. Here are also fountaines y^e cast water to a great height, and large ponds, 2 of which have islands for harbour of fowles, of which there is store. One of these islands has a receptacle for them built of vast pieces of rock, neere 50 feet high, growne over with mosse, ivy, &c. shaded at a competent distance with tall trees: in this the fowles lay eggs and breed. We then saw a large and very rare grotto of shell-worke, in the shape of satyres and other wild fancyes: in y^e middle stands a marble table, on which a fountaine playes in forms of glasses, cupps, crosses, fans, crownes, &c. Then the fountaineere represented a shoure of raine from the topp, mett by small jetts from below. At going out two extravagant musqueteeres shot us wth a streme of water from their musket barrells. Before this grotto is a long poole into which ran divers spouts of water from leaden escollop bassins. The viewing this paradise made us late at St. Germain.

The first building of this palace is of Cha. V. called the Sag^a; but Francis I. (that true virtuoso) made it compleate, speaking as to the style of magnificence then in fashion, which was wth too greate a mixture of y^e Gotic, as may be seen in what there is remaining of his in y^e old Castle, an irregular peece as built on y^e old foundation, and having a moate about it. It has yet some spacious & handsome roomes of state, & a chapell neatly paynted. The new Castle is at some distance, divided from this by a court, of a lower but more modern designe, built by Hen. IV. To this belong 6 terraces built of brick & stone, descending in cascada towards the river, cut out of the naturall hill, having under them goodly vaulted galleries; of these, 4 have subterranean grotts & rochis, where are represented severall objects in the manner of scenes, and other motions by force of water, shewn by the light of torches onely; amongst these is Orpheus wth his musiq, & the animalls, wth dance after his harp; in y^e 2^c is the King and Dol-

phin*; in the 3^d is Neptune sounding his trumpet, his charriot drawne by sea-horses; in the 4th Perseus & Andromeda; mills; hermitages; men fishing; birds chirping; and many other devices. There is also a dry grott to refresh in, all having a fine prospect towards y^e river and the goodly country about it, especialy the Forrest. At the bottom is a parterre; the upper tarrace neere half a myle in length, wth double declivities, arched and baluster'd wth stone, of vast and royal cost.

In the Pavilion of y^e new Castle are many faire roomes, well paynted, and leading into a very noble garden and parke, where is a pall-maill, in y^e midst of which, on one of the sides, is a Chapell, with stone cupola, tho' small, yet of an handsome order of architecture. Out of y^a parke you goe into y^e Forrest, which being very large is stor'd with deare, wild boares, wolves, and other wild game. The Tennis Court and Cavalerizzo for y^r menag'd horses, are also observable.

We return'd to Paris by Madrid, another villa of the King's, built by Francis I. and called by that name to absolve him of his oath that he would not go from Madrid, in which he was prisoner in Spayne, but from whence he made his escape. This house is also built in a park, walled in. We next call'd in at the Bonnes hommes, well situated, with a faire Chapel & Library.

1 March. I went to see the Count de Liancourt's Palace in y^e Rue de Seine, which is well built. Towards his study and bedchamber joynes a little garden, which tho' very narrow, by the addition of a well painted perspective is to appearance greatly enlarged; to this there is another part, supported by arches, in which runs a stremme of water, rising in y^a aviary, out of a statue, and seeming to flow for some miles, by being artificially continued in the painting, when it sinkes downe at the wall. It is a very agreeable deceipt. At the end of this garden is a little theater, made to change wth divers pretty seanes, and the stage so ordered that with figures of men & women paynted on light-boards, and cut out, and, by a person who stands underneath, made to act as if they were speaking, by guiding them, & reciting words in different tones as the parts require. We were led into a round cabinet,

where was a neate invention for reflecting lights by lining divers sconces with thin shining plates of gilded copper.

In one of the rooms of state was an excellent paynting of Poussin being a *Satyre kneeling*; over y^e chimney, the *Coronation of y^e Virgin* by Paulo Veroneze; another *Madona* over the dore, and y^e of *Jes.* by Cigali; in the Hall, a *Cavaliero di Malta attended by his page*, sayd to be of Mich. Angelo; the *Rape of Proserpme*, wth a very large *land-skip* of Corregio. In y^e next roome some payntings of Primaticcio, especially the *Helena, the naked Lady brought before Alexander*, well paynted, and a *Ceres*. In the bedchamber a picture of y^e *Cardinal de Liancourt* of Raphael, rarely colour'd. In y^e cabinet are divers pieces of Bassano, 2 of Polemberg, 4 of Paulo Brill, the skyes a little too blew. A *Madona* of Nicholao, excellently painted on a stone; a *Judith of Mantegna*; 3 *Women* of Jeronimo; one of Stenwick; a *Madona* after Titian, and a *Magdalen* of the same hand, as the Count esteemes it; 2 small pieces of Paulo Veroneze, being the *Martyrdoms of St. Justina & St. Catherine*; a *Madona* of Lucas Van Leyden, sent him from our King; 6 more of old Bassano; 2 excellent drawings of Albert; a *Magdalen* of Leonardo da Vinci; 4 of Paulo; a very rare *Madona* of Titian, given him also by our King; the *Ecce Homo*, shut up in a frame of velvet, for the life and accurate finishing exceeding all description. Some curious medals, and a chaplet of admirable invention, the intaglias being all on fruit-stones. The Count was so exceeding civill that he would needes make his Lady goe out of her dressing-rome, that he might shew us the curiosities and pictures in it.

We went thence to visite one Mons. Perishot, one of the greatest virtuosos in France, for his collection of pictures, achates, medalls, and flowers, especialy tulips & anemonies. The chiefeſt of his payntings was a *Sebastian* of Titian.

From him we went to Mons. Frene's, who shew'd us many rare drawings, a *Rape of Helen* in black chalke; many excellent things of Sneider; some of Julio & Mich^l. Angelo; a *Madona* of Passignano; some things of Parmensis, & other masters.

The next morning being recom'ended to Mons. de Flausse, President du Parliament, and once Ambassador at Venice for the French

King, we were very civilly receiv'd, and shew'd his Library. Amongst his paintings were, a rare *Venus & Adonis* of Veroneze, a *St. Anthony* after the first manner of Corregio, and a rare *Madona* of Palma.

Sunday 6 March. I went to Charenton, 2 leagues from Paris, to heare & see the manner of the French Protestant Churches service. The place of meeting they call y^e Temple, a very faire and spacious roome, built of free-stone, very decently adorn'd with payntings of the Tables of y^e Law, the Lords Prayer & Creede. The pulpit stands at the upper end in the middle, having an enclosure of seates about it, where the Elders, & persons of greatest quality and strangers, sit; the rest of y^e congregation on formes & low stooles, but none in pewes as in our Churches, to their greate disgrace & nothing so orderly, as here the stooles & other comber are remov'd when y^e assembly rises. I was greatly pleas'd with their harmonious singing the Psalms, which they all learn perfectly well, their children being as duely taught as their Catechisme.

In our passage we went by that famous bridge over y^e Marne, where echo returnes the voice of a good singer 9 or 10 times.

7th March. I went with some company towards Fontainbleau, a sumptuous palace of the King's, like ours of Hampton Court, about 14 leagues from the City. By the way we pass through a Forest so prodigiously encompass'd with hideous rockes of whitish hard stone, heaped one on another in mountainous heights, that I think the like is not to be found elsewhere. It abounds wth staggs, wolves, boares, & not long after a lynx or ounce was kill'd amongst them, which had devour'd some passengers. On the sum'it of one of these gloomy precipices, intermingl'd wth trees and shrubs, the stones hanging over, & menaceing ruine, is built an Hermitage. In these solitudes rogues frequently lurke & do mischiefe (& for whom we were all well appoynted wth our carabines), but we arived safe in the evening at the village, wheres we lay at the Horne, going early next morning to the Palace.

This house is nothing so stately and uniforme as Hampton Court, but Francis I. began much to beautifie it; most of all, Hen. IV, and not a little the late King. It abounds with faire halls, chambers, and

gallerys ; in the longest, which is 360 foote long, & 18 broad, are paynted the Victories of that great Prince Hen. IV. That of Francis I. call'd the grand Gallery, has all the King's Palaces paynted in it ; above these, in 60 pieces of excellent worke in fresca is the History of Ulysses, from Homer, by Primaticcio, in the tyme of Hen. III. esteemed the most renown'd in Europ for y^e designe. The Cabinet is full of excellent pictures, especialy a *Woman* of Raphael. In the Hall of the Guards is a piece of tapistry painted on y^e wall, very naturally, representing the Victors of Cha. VII. over our countrymen. In the Salle des Festins is a rare Chimney-piece, & Hen. IV. on horseback, of white marble, esteemed worth 18,000 crowns ; *Clementia* & *Par*, nobly don. On columns of jasper, 2 lions of brasse. The new Stayres, and a halfe circular Court, are of modern and good architecture, as is a Chapell built by Lewis XIII. all of jasper, with several incrustations of marble in the inside.

Having scene the roomes we went to y^e Volary, wh^{ch} has a cupola in the middle of it, greate trees and bushes, it being full of birds who drank at two fountaines. There is a faire Tennis Court & noble Stables ; but the beauty of all are the Gardens. In y^e Court of y^e Fountaines stand divers antiquities and statues, especialy a Mercury. In y^e Queenes Garden is a Diana ejecting a fountaine, with numerous other brasse statues.

The Greate Garden, 180 toises long and 154 wide, has in the centre a fountayne of Tyber of a Colossean figure of brasse, with the Wolfe over Romulus & Rhemus. At each corner of the garden rises a fountaine. In the Garden of the Fish Pond is a Hercules of white marble. Next is the Garden of the Pines, and without that a Canale of an English mile in length, at y^e end of which rises 3 jettos in the form of a fleur de lys, of a great height ; on the margin are excellent walkes planted wth trees. The carps come familiarly to hand [to be fed]. Hence they brought us to a spring, which they say being first discover'd by a dog, gave occasion of beautifying this place, both wth the Palace and Gardens. The rocks at some distance in the Forest yeald one of the most august & stupendous prospects imaginable. The Parke about this place is very large, & the Towne is full of noblemen's houses.

Next morning we were invited by a Paynter, who was keeper of y^e pictures and rarities, to see his owne collection. We were lead thro' a gallery of old Rosso's worke, at the end of which, in another cabinet, were 3 *Madonas* of Raphael, and 2 of Andrea del Sarto. In y^e Academy where y^e Paynter himselfe wrought, was a *St. Michael* of Raphael, very rare; *St. Jo. Baptist* of Leonardo, & a *Woman's head*; a *Queene of Sicily* & *St. Marguret* of Raphael; 2 more *Madones*, whereof one very large, by y^e same hand; some more of del Sarto; a *St. Jerome* of Perino del Vaga; the *Rape of Proserpine*, very good; and a greate number of drawings.

Returning part of our way to Paris that day, we visited an house call'd *Maison Rouge*, having an excellent prospect, grott, & fountaines, one whereof rises 50 feet, & resembles the noise of a tempest, battailles of gunns, &c. at its issue.

We went to Eessone, a house of Mons^r Essling, who is a greate Vertuoso; there are many good payntings in it, but nothing so observable as his gardens, fountaines, fishe-pooles, especialy y^t in a triangular forme, the water cast out by a multitude of heads about it; there is a noble cascade and pretty bathes, with all accommodations. Under a marbl^t table is a fountaine of serpents twisting about a globe.

We alighted next at Corbeil, a towne famous for the siege of Hen. IV. Here we slept, & return'd next morning to Paris.

18 March. I went with St Jo. Cotton, a Cambridg-shire Kn^t, a journey into Normandy. The first day we passed by Gaillon, the Archbishop of Rouen's Palace. The gardens are highly commended, but we did not go in, intending to reach Pontoise by dinner. This towne is built in a very gallant place, has a noble bridge over the Oize, and is well refresh'd wth fountaines.

This is the first towne in Normandy, and the farthest that the Vineyards extend to on this side of the country, which is fuller of playnes, wood, and enclosures, wth some townes towards y^e sea, very like England.

We lay this night at a vilage call'd Magny. The next day, descending a very steepe hill, we din'd at Fleury, and after rode 5 leagues downe St. Catherine, to Rouen, which affords a goodly prospect to the ruines

of that chapell &c mountaine. This country so abounds with wolves, that a shepherd whom we met told us one of his companions was strangled by one of them the day before, & that in the midst of his flock. The feilds are mostly planted wth pears & apples & other cider fruities. It is plentifully furnish'd wth quarries of stone & slate, & hath iron in abundance.

I lay at the White Crosse in Rouen, which is a very large City, on y^e Seine, having two smaller rivers besides, call'd y^e Aubet and Lobes. There stand yet the ruines of a magnifieent bridge of stone, now supply'd by one of boates only, to which come up vessells of considerable burthen. The other side of y^e water consists of meadows, and there have y^e Reformed a Church.

The Cathedrall Nostre Dame was built, as they acknowledge, by the English; some English words graven in Gotic characters upon the front seeme to confirm it. The Towers & whole Church are full of carving. It has 3 steeples wth a pyramid; in one of these I saw the famous bell so much talk'd off, 13 foote in heighth, 32 round, the diameter 11, weighing 40,000 pounds. In the Chapel of Amboise, built by a Cardinal of that name, lies his body, with several faire monuments. The Quire has behind it a greate dragon paynted on the wall, w^{ch} they say had don much harme to the inhabitannts till vanquished by St. Romain their Archbishop, for which there is an annual procession. It was now neere Easter, and many images were expos'd with scenes & stories representing y^e Passion, made up of little puppets, to which there was great resort and devotion, with offcrings. Before the Church is a faire Palace,—St. Owen is another goodly Church and an Abby wth fine gardens. Here the King hath lodgings when he makes his progresse through these parts. The structure where the Court of Parliament is kept is very magnifient, containing very faire halles & chambers, especialy La Chambre d'Orée. The Towne-house is also well built, and so are some gentlemen's houses; but most part of the rest are of timber, like our merchants of London, in the wooden part of the City.

21 March. On Easter Monday we din'd at Totes, a solitary inn between Rouen & Diepe, at which latter place we axived. This towne

is situated betweene two mountaines, not unpleasantly, and is washed on y^e North by our English seas.

The Port is com'odius, but the entrance is difficult. It has one ample & faire streete, in which is a pretty church. The Fort Poliet consists of a strong earth-worke, and com'ands the Haven, as on the other side dos the Castle, which is also well fortified, wth the Citadel before it; nor is the Towne itself a little strong. It abounds with workmen, who make and sell curiosities of ivory and tortoise-shells; & indeed whateuer the East Iudies afford of cabinets, parcelan, natural & exotic rarities, are here to be had wth abundant choyce.

23 March. We pass'd along the Coast by a very roc'y and rugged way, which forc'd us to alight many times before we came to Havre de Grace, where we lay that night.

The next morning we saw the Citadel, strong and regular, well stored with artillery, &c. The works furnish'd with faire brasse canon, having a motto, *Ratio ultima Regum*. The ellogiamens of the garrison are uniforme; a spacious place for drawing up the soldiers, a pretty chapell, and a faire house for the Governor. The Duke of Richelieu being now in the fort, we went to salute him; who receiv'd us very civily, and com'anded that we should be show'd whatever we desired to see. The Citadel was built by the late Card. de Richelieu, uncle of the present Duke, and is very strong. The haven is very capacious.

We embarqued ourselves and horses to passe to Honfleur, about 4 or 5 leagues distant, where the Seine falls into the Sea. It is a poore fisher towne, remarkable for nothing so much as the odd yet usefull habites which the good women weare, of beares and other skinns, as of raggs at Dieppe, and all along these coasts.

25 March. We ariv'd at Caen, a noble and beautifull towne, on the river Orne, which passes quite thro' it, the 2 sides of the towne joyn'd only by a bridg of one arch. We lay at the Angel, where we were very well us'd, the place being abundantly furnish'd with provisions at a cheape rate.

The most considerable object is the great Abby and Church, large and rich, built after the Gotic manner, having two spires and middle lanterne at the West end, all of stone. The quire round and large,

in y^e centre whereof, elevated on a square, handsome, but plain sepulchre, is this inscription :

" Hoc Sepulchrum invictissimi juxta et clementissimi Conquestoris, Gulielmi, dum viveret Anglorum Regis, Normannorum Caenomanorumque Principis, hujus insignis Abbatiae piissimi Fundatoris: Cum anno 1562 vesano hereticorum furore direptum fuisset, pio tandem nobilium ejusdem Abbatiae religiosorum gratitudinis seusu in tsm beneficium largitorem, instauratum fuit, a D^r Johanne de Baulhache ascetarii Protopriore. P. D. D. P."

On the other side are these monkish rhymes :

" Qui rex it rigidos Normanos, atq. Britanos
 Audacter vicit, fortiter obtinuit,
 Et Caenomanenses virtute coerexit enses,
 Imperiique sui legibus applicuit,
 Rex magnus parvū jacet hic Gulielm⁹ in urnā,
 Sufficit et magno parva domus Domino.
 Ter septem gradibus se volverat atq. duobus
 Virginis in gremio Phœbus, et hic obiit."

We went to y^e Castle, which is strong and fayre, and so is the Towne-house, built on the bridg which unites the two townes. Here are Scholes and an University for the Jurists.

The whole Town is handsomely built of y^e excellent stone so well knowne by that name in England. I was lead to a pretty garden, planted with hedges of Alaternus, having at the entrance a skreen at an exceeding height, accurately cutt in topiary worke, with well understood Architecture, consisting of pillars, niches, freezes, and other ornaments, w^t greate curiosity; some of the columns wreathed, others spiral, all according to art.

28 March. We went towards Paris, lyng the first night at Evreux, a Bishop's seate, an ancient Towne, w^t a faire Cathedral.

The next day we arived at Paris.

1 April. I went to see more exactly the roones of the fint Palace of Luxemburge, in the Fauxbourg St. Germain, built by Mary de Mediecs, and I think one of the most noble, entie, and finish'd piles, that is to be seen, taking it with the gurden and all its accomplishments. The gallery is of the painting of Rubens, being the history of the Foundresses life, rarely designed; at the end of it is the Duke of

Orleans's Library, well furnished wth excellent booke, all bound in maroquin and gilded, the valans of the shelves being of greene velvet, fring'd with gold. In the cabinet joyning it are onely the smaler volumes, with 6 cabinets of medaills, and an excellent collection of shells and achates, whereof some are prodigiously rich. This Duke being very learn'd in medaills and plants, nothing of that kind escapes him. There are other spacious, noble, and princely furnish'd roomes, which looke towards the gardens, which are nothing inferior to the rest.

The Court below is formed into a square by a corridor, having over the chiefe entrance a stately cupola, covered with stone: the rest is cloistered and arch'd on pillasters of rustiq worke. The terrace ascending before the front, pav'd wth white and black marble, is balusters with white marble, exquisitely polish'd.

Onely the Hall below is low, and the stayrecase somewhat of an heavy designe, but the faciata towards the parterre, which is also arched & vaulted wth stone, is of admirable beauty, and full of sculpture.

The Gardens are neere an English mile in compasse, enclos'd wth a stately wall, and in a good ayre. The parterre is indeed of box, but so rarely design'd and accurately kept cut, that the embroidery makes a wonderful effect to the lodgings which front it. Tis divided into 4 squares, & as many circular knots, having in y^e center a noble basin of marble neere 30 f^t diameter (as I reueinber), in which a triton of brasse holds a dolphin that casts a girandola of water neere 30 foote high, playing perpetually, the water being convey'd from Arcueil by an aqueduct of stone, built after y^e old Roman magnificence. About this ample parterre, the spacious walkes & all included, runs a border of freestone, adorn'd wth pedestalls for potts and statues, and part of it neere the stepps of the terrace, with a rail and baluster of pure white marble.

The walkes are exactly faire, long, & variously descending, and so justly planted with limes, elms, & other trees, that nothing can be more delicious, especially that of the hornebeam hedge, wth being high and stately, butts full on the fountaine.

Towards the farther end is an excavation intended for a vast fish-pool, but never finish'd. Neere it is an inclosure for a garden of

simples, well kept, and here the Duke keepes tortoises in greate number, who use the poole of water on one side of the garden. Here is also a conservatory for snow. At the upper part towards the Palace is a grove of tall elmes catt into a starr, every ray being a walk, whose center is a large fountaine.

The rest of the ground is made into severall inclosures (all hedge-worke or rowes of trees) of whole fields, meadowes, boxages, some of them containing divers acres.

Next the streete side, and more contigous to y^e house, are knotts in trayle or grasse worke, where likewise runs a fountaine. Towards the grotto and stables, within a wall, is a garden of choyce flowers, in which the Duke spends many thousand pistoles. In sum, nothing is wanting to render this palace and gardens perfectly beautifull & magnificent; nor is it one of the least diversions to see the number of persons of quality, citizens and strangers, who frequent it, and to whom all accesse is freely permitted, so that you shall see some walkes & retirements full of gallants and ladys; in others melancholy fryers; in others studious scholars; in others jolly citizens, some sitting or lying on y^e grasse, others runing, jumping, some playing at bowles and ball, others dancing and singing; and all this without the least disturbance, by reason of the largeness of the place.

What is most admirable is, you see no gardners or men at worke, and yet all is kept in such exquisite order as if they did nothing else but work; it is so early in the morning, that all is dispatch'd and don without y^e least confusion.

I have been y^e larger in the description of this Paradise, for the extraordinary delight I have taken in those sweete retirements. The Cabinet and Chapell neerer y^e garden front have some choyce pictures. All the houses neere this are also noble palaces, especialy *petite Luxemburge*. The ascent of the streete is handsome from its breadth, situation, and buildings.

I went next to view Paris from the top of St. Jacques steeple, esteem'd the highest in the towne, from whence I had a full view of the whole Citty and suburbs, both which, as I judge, are not so large as London: though the dissimilitude of their formes and situations, this

round, London long, renders it difficult to determine; but there is no comparison between the buildings, palaces, and materials, this being entirely of stone and more sumptuous, tho' I esteeme our piazza's to exceede their's.

In St. Innocent's Church-yard, where the story of the devouring quality of the ground (consuming bodys in 24 hours), the vast charnells of bones, tombs, piramids, and sepulchres, took up much of my time, together with the hieroglyphical characters of Nicolas Flamen's philosophical worke, who had founded this church, and divers other charitable workes, as he testifies in his booke.

Here divers clarks get their livelyhood by inditing lett^{rs} for poor mayds & other ignorant people who come to them for advise, & to write for them into y^e Country, every large grave-stone serving for a table. Joyning to this Church is a com'on fountain, with good believo's on it.

The next day I was carried to see a French gentleman's curious collection, which abounded in faire & rich jewels of all sorts of precious stones, most of them of greate sizes and value; achates and onixes, some of them admirably colour'd & antique; nor inferior were his landskips from the best hands, most of which he had caused to be copy'd in miniature; one of which, rarely painted on stone, was broken by one of our company, by the mischance of setting it up; but such was the temper & civility of the gentleman, that it altered nothing of his free & noble humor.

The next morning I went to the Garden of Mons^t. Morine, who from being an ordinary gardner is become one of y^e most skillful & curious persons in France for his rare collection of shells, flowers, & insects.

His Garden is of an exact oval figure, planted wth cypressse cutt flat & set as even as a wall: the tulips, anemones, ranunculus's, crocus's, &c. are held to be of the rarest, and draw all the admirers of such things to his house during the season. He lived in a kind of Hermitage at one side of his garden, where his collection of purselan and coral, whereof one is carved into a large Crucifix, is much esteemed. He has also bookes of prints, by Albert [Durer], Van Leyden, Calot, &c.

His collection of all sorts of insects, especialy of Butterflys, is most curious; these he spreads and so medicates that no corruption invading them, he keepeſ them in drawers, ſo plac'd as to repreſent a beaſtiful piece of tapiſtry.

He ſhew'd me the remarks he had made on their propagation, wth he promis'd to publish. Some of these, as also of his beaſt flowers, he had cauſ'd to be painted in miniaturē by rare hands, and ſome in oyle.

I went to ſee divers of the faireſt Palaces, as that of Vendosme, very large and ſtately; Longueville; Guyſe; Condi; Chevereuſe; Nevers, eſteem'd one of the beſt in Paris towards the riever.

I often went to the Palais Cardinal, bequeathed by Richelieu to the King, en condition that it ſhould be called by his name; at this time the King resided in it because of the building of the Louvre. It is a very noble house, tho' ſomewhat low; the gallerys, paintings of the moſt illuſtrious persons of both ſexes, the Queenes bathes. preſence chamber with its rich carved and gilded rooſe, theatre, & large garden, in which is an ample fountain, grove and maille, are worthy of remark. Here I alſo frequently went to ſee them ride and exercise the Greate Horſe, especialy at the Academy of Mons'. du Plessis, and de Veau, whose ſchooles of y^e art are frequented by the Nobility; and here alſo young gentlemen are taught to fence, daunce, play on muſiq, and ſomething in fortification & y^e mathematics. The deſigne is admirabla, ſome keeping neare an hundred brave horſes, all managed to y^e greate ſaddle.

12th. I took coach to ſee a general maſter of all the geus d'armes about y^e City in the Bois de Boulogne before their Majesties and all y^e Grandees. They were reputed to be neare 20,000, besides the ſpectators who much exceeded them in number. Here they performed all their motions, and being drawne up, horſe & foote, into ſeveral figures, repreſented a battell.

The ſum'ſ now drawing neare, I determined to ſpend the reſt of it in ſome more remote towne on the river Loirs; and on 19 April I tooke leave of Paris, and, by the way of the messenger, agreed for my paſſage to Orleans.

The way, as indeed most of the roades in France, is paved with a small square free-stone, so that there is little dirt and bad roads, as in England, onely 'tis somewhat hard to y^e poore horses feete, which causes them to ride more temperately, seldom going out of the trot, or *grand pas*, as they call it. We pass'd several wall'd townes or villages; amongst others of note, Chartres and Estampes, where we lay the first night. This has a faire church.

20 April. We had an excellent road, but had like to come short home; for no sooner were we entred two or three leagues into y^e Forest of Orleans (which extends itself many miles), but the company behind us were set on by rogues, who, shooting from y^e hedges and frequent covert, slew foure upon the spot. This disaster made such an alarme in Orleans at o' arival, that the Prevost Martial, wth his assistants, going in persuite, brought in two whom they had shot, and exposed them in y^e greate market-place, to see if any would take cognizance of y^m. I had greate cause to give God thankes for this escape. I lay at the White Lion, where I found Mr. John Nicholas, eldest son to Mr. Secretary [Nicholas]. In the night, a cat kitten'd on my bed, and left on it a young one having six ears, eight leggs, two bodys from the navil downwards, and two tayles. I found it dead, but warm, in the morning when I awaked.

21 April. The city is well built of stone, on the side of the Loyre. About the middle of y^e river is an island, full of walkes and faire trees, with some houses. There is a stately stone bridge, reaching to the opposite suburbs, built likewise on the edge of an hill, from whence is a beautifull prospect. At one end of the bridge are strong toures, and about the middle, on one side, is the statue of y^e Virgin Mary or Pieta, with the dead Christ in her lap, as big as the life. At one side of the Crosse kneeleth Cha. VII. arm'd, and at y^e other, Joan d'Are, arm'd like a cavalier, wth boots and spurrs, her hayre dischevel'd, as the deliveress of the towne from our countrymen, when they besieg'd it. The figures are all cast in copper, with a pedestall full of inscriptions, as well as a faire columne joyning it, which is adorn'd with fleurs de lys and a crucifix, wth two saints proceeding as it were from two branches out of its capital. The inscriptions on the Crosse are in Latine: "Mors

Christi in cruce nos a contagione labis et asternorum morborum sanavit." On the pedestal : " Rex in hoc signo hostes prossigavit, et Johan's Virgo Aureliam obsidio liberavit. Non diu ab impiis diruta, restituta sunt hoc anno D'ni 1578. Jean Buret, m. f." — " Octannoq' Galliam servitute Britannica liberavit. A Domino factum est illud, et est mirabile in oculis nostris ; in quorum memoria hæc nostræ fidei Insignia." To this is made an annual procession on 12 May, Massë being sung before it, attended with great ceremony and concourse of people. The wine of this place is so strong, that the King's cup-bearers are, as I was assured, sworne never to give the King any of it ; but it is a very noble liquor, and much of it transported into other countrys. The town is much frequented by strangers for the greate purity of the language here spoken, as well as for divers other priviledges ; and the University makes the towne much frequented by strangers, especialy Germans, which causes the English to make no long sojourne hear, except such as can drinke and debauch. The City stands in the County of Beaulse, was once stiled a Kingdom, afterwards a Dutchy, as at present, belonging to the second son of France. Many Councils have been held here, and some Kings crown'd. The University is very antient, divided now by the students into that of four nations, French, High Dutch, Normans, and Picardins, who have each their respective protectors, severall officers, Treasurers, Consuls, Seales, &c. There are in it two reasonable faire publiq Libraries, whence one may borrow a booke to one's chamber, giving but a note under hand, w^{ch} is an extraordinary custome, and a confidence that has cost many Libraries deare. The first church I went to visit was St. Croix ; it has been a stately fabric, but has been much ruin'd by the late Civil Warrs. They report the towre of it to have been the highest in France. There is the beginning of a faire reperation. About this cathedrall is a very spacious cemeterie. The towne-hous is nobly built, with a high tower to it. The market-place and streetes, some whereof are deliciously planted with limes, are ample and strait, so well paved wth a kind of pebble, that I have not seen a neater towne in France. This City was by Francis I. esteemed the most agreeable of his great dominions.

28 April. Taking boate on the Loir, I went towards Blois, the passage and river being both very pleasant. Passing Mehun, we dined at Baugency, and slept at a little towne called St. Dieu. Quitting our barke, we hired horses to Blois, by the way of Chambourg, a famous house of y^e King's, built by Francis I. in y^e middle of a solitary parke, full of deere; the enclosure is a wall. I was particularly desirous of seeing this palace, from the extravagance of the designe, especialy the stayre-case, mentioned by Palladio. It is said that 1800 workmen were constantly employ'd in this fabriq for twelve yeares; if so, it is wonderfull that it was not finish'd, it being no greater than divers gentlemen's houses in England, both for room or circuit. The carvings are very rich and full. The stayre-case is devised wth four entries or ascents, which cross one another, so that tho' four persons meeet, they never come in sight, but by small loopeholes, till they land. It consists of 274 stepps (as I remember), and is an extraordinary worke, but of far greater expense than use or beauty. The chimneys of the house appeare like so many towres. About the whole is a large deepe moate. The country about it full of corne and wine, with many faire noblemen's houses.

We ariv'd at Blois in the evening. The town is hilly, uneven, and rugged. It stands on the side of the Loire, having suburbs joyn'd by a stately stone bridg, on which is a pyramid with an inscription. At the entrance of the castle is a stone statue of Lewis XII. on horseback, as large as life, under a Gothic stately; and a little below are these words:

" Hie ubi natus erat dextro Ludovicus Olympo
Sumpsit honorata regia sceptra manu;
Felix quae tanti suisit Lux nuncia Regis
Galica non alio principe digna fuit."

Under this is a very wide payre of gates, nailed full of wolves and wild-boars'-heads. Behind y^e castle the present Duke Gastion had begun a faire building, through which we walked into a large garden, esteemed for its furniture one of the fairest, especialy for simples and exotic plants, in which he takes extraordinary delight. On the right hand is a longe gallery full of ancient statues and inscriptions, both of marble and brasse; the length, 300 paces, divides

the garden into higher and lower ground, having a very noble fountaine. There is the portrait of an hart, taken in the forest by Lewis XII. which has 24 antlers on its head. In the Collegiate Church of St. Saviour we saw many sepulchres of the Earls of Blois.

Sunday, being May day, we walked up into y^e Pall Mall, very long, and so nobly shaded wth tall trees (being in the midst of a greate wood), that, unless that of Tours, I had not seenne a statelier;

From hence we proceeded with a friend of mine through the adjoyning forest, to see if we could meeke any wolves, which are here in such numbers that they often come and take children out of the very streetes; yet will not the Duke, who is sovraigne here, permitte them to be destroy'd. We walked five or six miles outright, but met with none; yet a gentleman, who was resting himselfe under a tree, wth his horse grazing by him, tolde us that, halfe an hoare before, two wolves had set upon his horse, and had in probability devour'd him, but for a dog wth lay by him. At a little village at the end of this wood we eat excellent creame, and visited a castle builded on a very steepe cliff.

Blois is a towne where the language is exactly spoken; the inhabitants very courteous; the ayre so good, that it is the ordinary nursery of the King's children. The people are so ingenious, that, for goldsmith's worke and watches, no place in France affords the like. The pastures by the river are very rich and pleasant.

2 May. We took boate, passing by Charmont, a proud castle on y^e left hand; before it is a sweete island, deliciously shaded with tall trees. A little distance from hence we went on shore at Ambois, a very agreeable village, built of stone, and the houses covered with blue slate, as the towns on the Loire generally are; but the castle chiefly invited us, the thicknesse of whose towers, from the river to y^e top, was admirable. We enter'd by the draw-bridg, which has an invention to let one fall, if not premonished. It is full of halls and spacious chambers, and one stayre-case is large enough, and sufficiently comodious, to receive a coach, and land it on the very towre, as they told us had been don. There is some artillery. In the ancient chapell is a stag's head or branches, hung up by chayns, consisting of twenty brow antlers, the

beame bigger than a man's middle, and of an incedible length. Indeed it is monstrous, and yet I cannot conceive how it should be artifical : they shew also the ribs and vertebræ of the same beast; but these might be made of whalebone.

Leaving the Castle we pass'd Mont Louis, a village having no house above ground, but such onely as are hewn out of the maine rocks, w^m are of excellent free-stone. Here & there the fannell of a chimney appears on the surface amongst the vineyards which are over them, and in this manner they inhabite y^e eaves, as it were sea-cliffs, on one side of the river for many miles.

We now come within sight of Tours, where we were design'd for the rest of the time I had resolv'd to stay in France, the sojournment being so agreeable. Tours is on the easie side of an hill on the river Loire, having a faire bridge of stone, called St. Edme ; the streetes are very long, straite, spacious, well built, & exceeding cleane : the suburbs large and pleasant, joyn'd to the city by another bridg. Both the Church and Monastry of St. Martin are large, of Gotic building, having 4 square towers, faire organs, and a stately altar where they shew the bones & ashes of St. Martine, with other reliques. The Mall without comparison is the noblest in Europe for length and shade, having 7 rowes of the tallest and goodliest elms I had ever beheld, the innermost of which do so embrace each other, & at such a height, that nothing can be more solemn and majestical. Here we play'd a party or two, and then walked about the Towne-walles, built of square stone, filled wth earth, & having a moate. No citty in France exceeds it in beauty or delight.

6 May. We went to St. Gratian, reported to have been built by our countrymen ; the dial and clock-work are much esteem'd. The Church has two handsom towres & spires of stone, and the whole fabrie is very noble & venerable. To this joynes the Palace of the Archbishop, of old and new building, with many faire roomes, and a faire garden. Here I grew acquainted with one Mons^r Merey, a very good Musitian. The Archbishop treated me very courteously. We visited divers other Churches, Chapells, & Monasteries, for the most part neatly built, &

full of pretty payntings, especially the Convent of y^e Capucines, which has a prospect over the whole Citty, and many faire walkes.

8th. I went to see their manufactures in Silks (for in this towne they drive a very considerable trade wth silk-wormes), their pressing & watering the grograms and chambletts, with weights of an extraordinary poyse, put into a rolling engine. Here I took a master of the language and studied the tongue very diligently, recreating myself sometimes at the Maill, and sometymes about the Towne. The house opposite my lodging had been formerly a Palace of the King's, the outside was totaly cover'd with fleurs de lyes, emboss'd out of y^e stone. Here Mary de Medici had her Court when she was compell'd to retire from Paris by the persecution of the Cardinal.

25. Was the *Fête Dieu*, and a goodly procession of all the religious orders, the whole streetes hung with their best tapistrys, and their most precious moveables expos'd; silks, damasks, velvets, plate, and pictures in abundance; the streets strew'd wth flowres, and full of pageantry, banners, and bravery.

6 June. I went by water to visit that goodly and venerable Abby of Marmoustier, being one of the greatest in the Kingdome. There is a large Church of stone, wth a very high pyramid. Amongst other reliques the Monkes shew'd us is the Holy Ampoule, the same wth that which sacres their Kings at Rhemes, this being the one which anoynted Hen. IV.. Ascending many stepps we went into the Abbot's Palace, where we were shew'd a vast Tun (as big as that at Heidelberg), which they report St. Martin (as I remenber) filled from one cluster of grapes growing there.

7. We walked about 2 miles from y^e Citty to an agreeable solitude called du Plessis, a house belonging to y^e King. It has many pretty gardens, full of nightingales. In the Chapell lyes buried the famous Poet Ronsard.

Returning, we stepp'd into a Convent of Franciscans called St. Cosmo, where the Cloister is painted with the miracles of their St. Francis à Paula, whose ashes lie in their Chapell, with this inscription: "Corpus Sancti Fran. à Paula 1507. 13 Aprilis. concrematus vero.

ab Haereticis a° 1562, ejus quidem ossa et cineres hic jacent." The tomb has 4 small pyramids of marble at each corner.

9 June. I was invited to a Vineyard, which was so artificially planted and supported wth arched poles that stooping downe one might see from end to end, a very greate length, under the vines, the bunches hanging down in abundance.

20 June. We took hors to see certain natural Caves, called Gontiere, neare Colombiere, where there is a spring within y^e bowells of y^e earth very deepe, & so excessive cold that the dropps meeting wth some stony matter it converts them into an hard stone, which hangs about like icicles, having many others in the form of comfitures and sugar plums as wee call them.

Neere this we went under the ground almost two furions, lighted wth candles, to see the source and spring which serves the whole Citty, by a passage cut through the maine rock of free stone.

28. I went to see the Palace and Gardens of Chevereux, a sweete place.

30. I walked through the vineyards as far as Roche Corbé, to the ruines of an old & very strong Castle sayd to have ben built by the English, of great height, on the precipice of a dreadfull cliff, from whence the country and river yeald a most incomparable prospect.

27 July. I heard excellent musiq at the Jesuites, who have here a Schole and Convent, but a meane Chapell. We had now store of those admirable melons so much celebrated in France for the best of the kingdom.

1 Aug^t. My valet, one Garno, a Spaniard borne in Biscay, having misbehaved, I was forced to discharge him; he demanded of me (besides his wages) no lesse then 100 crownes to carry him to his country; refusing to pay it, as no part of our agreement, he had the impudence to arrest me: the next day I was to appear in Court, where both our Advocats pleaded before the Lieutenant Civile. The Judge immediately acquitting me, after he had reproached the Advocate who tooke part wth my servant, he rose from the Bench, and making a courteous excuse to me, that being a stranger I should be so us'd, he conducted mee through the Court to y^e streete-dore. This varlet afterwards

threatened to pistol me. The next day I waited on the Lieutenant to thanke him for his greate civility.

18 Aug. The Queene of England came to Tours, having newly ariv'd in France, and going for Paris. She was very nobly receiv'd by the People and Cleargy, who went to meeete her with the trained bands. After the harangue the Archbisch'p entertain'd her at his Palace, where I paid my duty to her. The 20th she set forward to Paris.

8 Sept. Two of my kinsmen came from Paris to this place, where I settel them in their pension and exercises.

14. We tooke post for Richlieu, passing by l'Isle Bouchart, a village.—15. We ariv'd at the Towne, and went to see the Cardinal's Palace neare it. The Towne is in a low, marshy ground, having a small river run by hand, very even and straite, capable of bringing up a small vessel. It consists of onely one considerable streete, the houses on both sides (as indeed throughout y^e towne) built exactly uniforme, after a modern handsome designe. It has a large goodly Market-house and Place, opposite to which is the Church built of free-stone, having two pyramids of stouc, w^{ch} stand hollow from the towers. The Church is well-built, of a well-ordered architecture, handsomely pav'd and adorn'd. To this towne belongs an Academy, where, besides y^e exercise of the horse, armes, dauncing, &c. all the sciences are taught in the vulgar French by Professors stipendiated by the greate Cardinal, who by this, the cheape living there, & divers priviledges, not only design'd the improvem^t of the vulgar language, but to draw people and strangers to the towne; but since the Cardinal's death it is thinly inhabited, standing so much out of the way, and in a place not well situated for health or pleasure. He was allured to build by the name of the place, and an old house there belonging to his ancestors. This pretty towne is handsomly wall'd about & moated, w^{ch} a kind of slight fortification, two faire gates & draw-bridges. Before the gate towards the Palace is a spacious circle, where the Faire is annually kept. About a sile-shot from the towne is the Cardinal's house, a princely pile, tho' on an old designe, not altogether Gotiq, but mix'd; environ'd by a cleare moate. The roomes are stately, most richly furnish'd with tissue, damask, aras, and velvet,

pictures, statues, vases, & all sorts of antiquities, especially the Caesars in oriental alabaster. The long gallery is paynted wth the famous acts of the Founder; the roofe wth the life of Julius Caesar; at the end of it is a Cupola or singing theatre, supported by very stately pillars of black marble. The Chapell anciently belonging to the family of the Founder. The Court is very ample. The Gardens without are very large, and the parterres of excellent imbrodry, set with many statuēs of brasse and marble; the groves, meadows, and walkes are a real paradise.

16. We return'd to Tours, from whence, after 19 weeekes sojourne, we went towards the more Southern parte of France, minding now to shape my course so as I might winter in Italy.

16 Sept. With my friend Mr. Thicknesse and o^r guide we went the first day 7 leagues to a castle called Chenonesaux, built by Cath. de Medici, and now belonging to the Duke of Vendome, standing on a bridg. In the gallery, amongst divers other excellent statuēs, is that of Scipio Africanus, of oriental alabaster.

21st. We pass'd by Ville Franche, where we din'd, and so by Muneton, lyng at Viaron an mouton, wth was 20 leagues. The next day by Murg to Bourges, 4 leagues, where we spent the day. This is the capital of Berry, an University much frequented by the Dutch, situated on the river Eure. It stands high, is strong, and well placed for defence. It is environ'd with meadows and vines; the living here is very cheap. In the suburbs of St. Prie there is a fountaine of sharp water wth they report wholesome against the stone. They shew'd us a vast tree wth they say stands in the center of France. The French tongue is spoken with great parity in this place. St. Stephen's Church is y^e Cathedrall, well built *à la Gotie*, full of sepulchres without-side, with the representation of the final judgment over one of the poets. Here they shew the Chapel of Claude de la Chastre, a famous souldier, who had serv'd six Kings of France in their warrs.

St. Chapell is built much like that at Paris, full of reliques, and the bones of one Briat, a gyant of 15 cubits high. This was built by John Duke of Berry, and they shew'd the coronet of the dukedom. The great tour is a Pharos for defence of the towne, very strong, in thicknesse 18 foote, fortified with a graff and workes; there is a garri-

son in it, and a strange engine for throwing great stones, and the yron Cage where Lewes Duke of Orleans was kept by Cha. VIII. Neare y^e Towne-house stands the Colledge of Jesuites, where was heretofore an Amphitheatre. I was courteously entartayned by a Jesuit, who had us into y^e garden. The house of Jaques Coeur is worth seeing. Bourges is an Archbischopric, Primate of Aquitain. I tooke my leave of Mr. Nicholas and some other English there; and on the 23d proceeded on my journey by Pont du Charge; and lay that evening at Coulaiure, 13 leagues.

24th, by Franchede St. Meun; thence to Moulins where we diu'd. This is the chiefe towne of the Bourbonois, on y^e river Allier very navigable. The streetes are faire; the Castle has a noble prospect, and has been the seat of the Dukes. Here is a pretty parke and garden. After dinner came many who offered knives and soissars to sell, it being a towne famous for those trifles. This Dutchy of Bourbon is ordinarily assigned for the dowry of the Queenes of France.

Hence we tooke horse for Varenne, an obscure village, where we lay that night. The next day we went somewhat out of y^e way to see the towne of Bourbon l'Archambaut, from whose ancient and ragged castle is deriv'd the name of the present Royal Family of France. The castle stands on a flinty rock, overlooking the towne. In the midst of the streetes are some bathes of medicinal waters, some of them excessive hot, but nothing so neatly wall'd and adorn'd as ours in Som'ersetshire; and indeede they are chiefly for drinking, our Queen being then lodged there for that purpose. After dinner I went to see the St. Chapel, a prime place of devotion, where is kept one of the thornes of our Saviour's crowne, & a piece of the real crosse; excellent paintings on glasse, and some few statues of stone and wood, which they shew for curiosities. We went forward to Palisse, a village that lodged us that night.

26 Sept. We ariv'd at Roan, where we quitted our guide and tooke post for Lions. Roan seem'd to me one of the pleasantest and most agreeable places imaginable for a retyred person: besides the situation on the Loire, there are excellent provisions cheape and abundant.

It being late when we left this towne, we rode no farther than Tarrare that night (passing St. Saforin), a little desolate village in a vally neare a pleasant streme, encompass'd with fresh meadows and vineyards. The hills which we rod over before we descended, and afterwards on the Lions side of this place, are high and mountainous; fir and pines grow frequently on them. The ayre methought was much alter'd, as well as the manner of the houses, which are built flatter, more after the Easterne manner. Before I went to bed I tooke a land-skip of this pleasant terrace. There follow'd a most violent tempest of thunder and lightning.

27. . We rod by Pont Charu to Lions, which being but 6 leagues we soone accomplish'd it, having made 85 leagues from Toures in seven days. There at the Golden Lion, rue de Flandre, I met divers of my acquaintance, who coming from Paris design'd for Italy. We lost no time in seeing the Citty, because of being ready to accompany these gentlemen in their journey.

Lions is excellently situated on the confluence of the rivers Scane and Rhodanus, which wash the walls of the Citty in a very rapid streme; each of these has its bridg; that over the Rhone consists of 28 arches. The two high cliffs called St. Just and St. Sebastian are very stately; on one of them stands a strong fort, garrison'd. We vissited the Cathedrall, St. Jean, where was one of the fairest clockes for art and busiy invention I had ever seene. The fabriq of the Church is Gotie, as are likewise those of St. Estienne and St. Croix. From the top of one of the towers of St. Jean (for it has 4) we beheld the whole citty and country, with a prospect reaching to the Alpes, many leagues distant. The Archbischop's Palace is fairely built. The Church of St. Niser is the greatest; that of the Jacobins is well built. Here are divers other fine Churches, with other noble buildings. We went to that of the Charité, or greate Hospital for poor infirm people, entertaining about 1500, with a *schoole*, granary, gardens, and all conveniences, maintained at a wondersfull expence, worthy seeing. The place of the Belle Court is very spacious, observable for the view it affords, so various and agreeable, of hills, rocks, vineyards, gardens, precipices, and other advantages, presenting themselves together. The

Pall Mall is sett with faire trees. This stately, cleane, and noble Citty built all of stone, abounds in persons of quality and rich merchants. Those of Florence obtain greate privileges above the rest. In the Towne-house they shew 2 tables of brass on wh^{ch} is engraven Claudio's speech to the Senat as to giving the Towne the Roman priviledges. There are also other antiquities.

30 Sept. We bargain'd with a waterman to carry us to Avignon on the river, and got the first night to Vienne in Dauphiné. This is an Archibishoprick, and the Province gives title to the Heir Apparent of France. Here we supped and lay, having, amongst other dainties, a dish of truffles, an earth nut, found out by an hogg train'd to it, and for which those animals are sold at a great price*. We were shew'd the ruines of an Amphitheatre pretty entire; and many handsome Palaces, especialy that of Pontius Pilate not far from the towne, at the foote of a solitary mountain neare the river; having 4 pinnacles. Here 'tis reported he pass'd his exile, and precipitated himself into the lake not far from it. The house is modern, and seemes to be the seate of some gentleman, being in a very pleasant place. The Cathedral of Vienne is St. Maurice; and there are many other pretty buildings, but nothing more so then the Mills where they hammer and polish the sword-blades.

Hence the next morning we swam (for the river here is so rapid that the boat was only steered) to a small village called Tain, where we dyn'd.

Over against this is another towne named Tournon, where is a very strong castle under a high precipice. To the castle joynes the Jesuits Colledge where they have a sayre library. The prospect was so tempting that I design'd it with my crayon.

We then came to Valence, a capital Citty carrying the title of a Dutchy, but the Bishop is now sole lord temporal of it and the country about it. The towne having an University famous for the study of the civil law, is much frequented; but the Churches are none of the fairest, having been greatly defaced in the time of the wars. The

* In England they are found by dogs.

streets are full of pretty fountaines. The Citadell is strong, and garrison'd. Here we pass'd the night. The next morning by Pont St Esprit, which consists of 22 arches; in the piers of the arches are windowes as it were, to receive the water when it is high and full. At this place we went on shore, it being very dangerous to passe the bridg in a boat.

Hence leaving our barg we tooke horse, seing at a distance the Towne and Principality of Orange, and lodging one night on the way we ariv'd at noone at Avignon. This towne has belonged to the Popes ever since the time of Clement VI. being in 1352 alienated by Jane Queene of Naples and Sicily. Entering the gates the soldiers at the guard tooke our pistols and carbines, and examin'd us very strictly; after that, having obtain'd the Governor's leave and the Vice-Legat's to tarry three days; we were civilly conducted to our lodging. The City is on the Rhodanus, and divided from the newer part or towne, which is on the other side of the river, by a very faire stone bridge (which has been broken); at one end is a very high rock, on which is a strong castle well furnish'd with artillery. The walls of the City are of large square free-stone, the most neate and best in repaire I ever saw. It is full of well-built Palaces; those of the Vice-Legate and Archbishop being the most magnificeent. There are many sumptuous Churches, especialy St. Magdalene and St. Martial, wherein [the tombe of] the Card. d'Amboise is the most observable. Clement VI. lies buried in that of the Celestines, the altar whereof is exceeding rich. There is the tomb of Laura the celebrated mistress of Petrarch. We saw the Arsenal, the Pope's Palace, and the Synagogue of the Jewes who here are distinguished by red hats. Vaucluse, so much renowned for the solitude of Petrarch, we beheld from the Castle, but could not go to visit it for want of time. We now took mules and a guide for Marseilles.

30th Sept. We lay at Loumas; the next morning came to Aix, having pass'd that extremely rapid and dangerous river of Durance. In this tract all the heathes or com'ons are cover'd with rosemary, lavender, lentises, and the like sweet shrubes, for many miles together, which to me was very pleasant. Aix is the chiefe City of Provence, being a

Parliament and Presidential Town, with other Royal Courts and Metropolitan jurisdiction. It is well built, the houses very high and the streetes ample. The Cathedral, St. Saviour's, is a noble pile adorn'd with innumerable figures especialy that of St. Michael; the Baptisterie, the Palace, the Court, built in a most spacious Piazza, are very faire. The Duke of Guise's house is worth seeing, being furnished with many antiquities in and about it. The Jesuites have here a Royal Colledge, and the City is an University.

7 Oct. We had a most delicious journey to Marseilles, thro' a country sweetly declining to the South and Mediterranean coasts, full of vine-yards and olive-yards, orange trees, myrtles, pomegranads, and the like sweete plantations, to which belong pleasantly-situated villas to the number of above 1500 built all of freestone, and in prospect shewing as if they were so many heapes of snow dropp'd out of the clouds amongst those perennial greens. It was almost at the shutting of the gates that we arived. Marseilles is on the sea coast, on a pleasant rising ground, well walled, with an excellent port for ships and gallys, secur'd by a huge chayne of yron drawn across the harbour at pleasure, and there is a well-fortified tower with 3 other forts, especialy that built on a rock; but the castic commanding the City is that of Nostre dame de la Guard. In the Chapel hung up divers crocodiles skinns.

We went to visite the Gallys, being about 25; the Captaine of the Gally Royal gave us most courteous entertainment in his cabin, the slaves in the interim playing both loud and soft musiq very rarely. Then he shew'd us how he commanded their motions with a nod and his whistle, making them row out. The spectacle was to me new and strange, to see so many hundreds of miserably naked persons, having their heads shaven close and having onely high red bonnets, a payre of course canvas drawers, their whole backs and leggs naked, doubly chayn'd about their middle and leggs, in couples, and made fast to their seates, and all commanded in a trise by an imperious and cruel seaman. One Turke he much favor'd, who waited on him in his cabin but with no other dress than the rest, and a chayne lock'd about his leg but not coupled. This gally was richly carv'd and gilded, and

most of the rest were very beautifull. After bestowing something on the slaves, the captain sent a band of them to give us musiq at dinner where we lodged. I was amaz'd to contemplate how these miserable catys lie in their gally crowded together, yet there was hardly one but had some occupation by which, as leisure and calmes permitted, they gat some little monye; insomuch as some of them have, after many yeares of cruel servitude, been able to purchase their liberty. Their rising forward and falling back at their oare is a miserable spectacle, and the noyse of their chaines with the roaring of the beaten waters has something of strange and fearfull to one unaccustom'd to it. They are rul'd and chastiz'd by strokes on their backs and soles of their feete on the least disorder, and without the least humanity; yet are they chereful and full of knavery.

In the church of St. Victoire is that Saint's head in a shrine of silver which weighs 600 lb. Nostre Dame is well built; it is the Cathedrall. The Duke of Guyse has a Palace: there is the Palais of Justice, the Maison du Roy, but nothing is more strange than the great number of slaves working in the streets, and cariying burthens, with their confus'd noises and gingling of their huge chaynes. The cheife trade of the towne is in silks and drougs out of Africa, Syria, and Egypt, and Barbary horses which are brought hither in great numbers. The towne is govern'd by 4 Captaines, has three Consuls and one Assessor, three Judges Royal; the Merchants have a Judge for ordinary causes. Here we bought umbrellas against the heats, and consulted of our journey to Canes by land, for feare of the Pickaron Turkes, who make prize of many small vessels about these parts, we not finding a gally bound for Genoa, whither we were design'd.

9 Oct. We tooke mules, passing the first night very late in sight of St. Baume, and the solitary grott where they affirme Mary Magdalen did her penance. The next day we lay at Perigueux, a City built on an old foundation, witnesse the ruines of a moct stately amphitheater which I went out to design, being about a flight shooe from the Towne; they call it now the Rolsies. There is a strong towre neare the Towne call'd the Visone, but the Towne and City are at some distance from each other. It is a bishoprick; has a Cathedral;

with divers noblemen's houses in sight of the sea. The place was formerly call'd Forum Julij, well known by Antiquaries.

10 Oct. We proceeded by the ruines of a stately aqueduct. The soile about the Country is rocky, full of pines and rare simples.

11. We lay at Canes, which is a small Port on the Mediterranean; here we agreed with a seaman to carry us to Genoa, and having procur'd a bill of health (without which there is no admission at any towne in Italy,) we embark'd on the 12th. We touch'd at the Islands of St. Margaret and St. Honore, lately retaken from the Spaniards with great bravery by Prince Harcourt. Here, having payd some small duty, we bought some trifles offer'd us by the soldiers, but without going on shore. Hence we coasted within 2 leagues of Antibes, which is the utmost towne in France. Thence by Nice, a City in Savoy built all of brick, which gives it a very pleasant appearance towards the sea, having a castle built very high, which commands it. We sail'd by Morgus, now cal'd Monaco, having passed Villa France, heretofore Portus Herculis, when, ariving after the gates were shut, we were forc'd to abide all night in the barge, which was put into the haven, the wind coming contrary. In the morning we were hastned away, having no time permitted us by our avaricious master to go up and see this strong and considerable place; it now belongs to a Prince of the family of Grimaldi, of Genoa, who has put both it and himself under the protection of the French. The situation is on a promontory of solid stone and rock. The towne walls very fayre. We were told that within it was an ample court, and a palace, furnish'd with the most rich and princely moveables, and a collection of statues, pictures, and massie plate to an immense amount.

We sailed by Menton and Vintimiglia, being the first City of the Republiq of Genoa: supp'd at Oneglia, where we anker'd and lay on shore. The next morning we coasted in view of the Isle of Corsica and St. Remo, where the shore is furnish'd with evergreens, oranges, citrons, and date-trees; we lay at Port Mabritto. The next morning by Diana Aroisso, famous for the best corall fishing, it growing in abundance on the rocks deepe and continually covered by the waves. By Albenga and Finale a very faire and strong towne belonging to

the King of Spain, for which reason a Monsieur in our vessell was extremely afraide, as was the patron of our barke, for they frequently catch French prizes as they creepe by these shores to go into Italy; he therefore ply'd both sayles and oars to get under the protection of a Genoese gally that pass'd not far before us, and in whose company we sayl'd as far as the Cape of Savona, a towne built at the rise of the Apenines; for all this coast (except a little at St. Remo) is an high and steepe mountainous ground, consisting all of rock marble, without any grasse, tree, or rivage, formidable to looke on. A strange object it is to consider how some poore cottages stand fast on the declivities of these precipices, and by what steps the inhabitants ascend to them. The rocks consist of all sorts of the most precious marbles.

Here, on the 15th, forsaking our gally, we encounter'd a little foule weather, which made us creepe *Terra, Terra*, as they call it, and so a vessell that encounter'd us advised us to do; but our Patron, striving to double the point of Savona, making out into the wind put us into great hazard, for blowing very hard from land betwixt those horrid gapps of the mountaines, it set so violently as rais'd on the sudden so great a sea that we could not recover the weather-shore for many houres, insomuch that, what with the water already enter'd, and the confusion of fearful passengers (of which one who was an Irish Bishop, and his brother, a priest, were confessing some as at the article of death), we were almost abandon'd to despair, our pilot himself giving us up for lost. And now, as we were weary with pumping and laying out the water, almost sinking, it pleas'd God on the suddaine to appease the wind, and with much ado and greate perill we recover'd the shore, which we now kept in view, within halfe a league, in sight of those pleasant villas, and within scent of those fragrant orchards wh^ere on this coast, full of princely retirements for the sumptuousnesse of their buildings and noblenesse of the plantations, especialy those at St. Pietro d' Arena, from whence, the wind blowing as it did, might perfectly be smelt the joys of Italy in the perfumes of orange, citron, and jasamine flowers for divers leagues seaward*.

* Mr. Evelyn was so struck with this circumstance of the fragrancy of the air on this coast, that he has noticed it again in his Dedication of the Fumifugium to King Charles the Second.

16 Oct'. We got to anker under the Pharos, or watch-tower, built on a high rock at the mouth of the Mole of Genoa, the weather being still so fowle that for two hones at least we durst not stand into the haven. Towards evening we adventured, and came on shore by the Pratiq-house; where after strict examination by the Syndics, we were had to the Ducal Palace, and there, our names being taken, we were conducted to our inne kept by one Zacharias an Englishman. I shall never forget a story of our host Zachary, who on the relation of our perill told us another of his owne, being shipwreck'd, as he affirm'd solemnly, in the middle of a greate sea somewhere in the West Indies, that he swam no lesse than 22 leagues to another island, with a tinder-box wraped up in his hayre, which was not so much as wett all the way; that picking up the carpenter's tooles with other provisions in a chest, he and the carpenter, who accompany'd him, (good swimers it seemes both) floated the chest before them, and ariving at last in a place full of wood, they built another vessell, and so escaped. After this story we no more talked of our danger, Zachary put us quite downe.

17 Oct'. Accompany'd by a most courteous merchant call'd Tomson, we went to view the rarities. The Citty is built in the hollow or bosom of a mountaine, whose ascent is very steepe, high, and rocky, so that, from the Lantern and Mole to the hill, it represents the shape of a theater; the streetes and buildings so ranged one above another as our seates are in play-houses; but, from their materials, beauty, and structure, never was an artificial scene more beautifull to the eye, nor is any place, for the size of it, so full of well-desigu'd and stately palaces, as may be easily concluded by that rare booke in a large folio which the great virtuoso and paynter Paull Rubens has published, tho' it contains [the description of] only one streete and 2 or 3 churches.

The first Palace we went to visit was that of Hieronymo del Negros, to which we pass'd by boate crosse the harbour. Here I could not but observe the sudden and devilish passion of a seamen, who plying us was intercepted by another who interpos'd his boate before him and tooke us in; for the teares gushing out of his eyes, he put his finger in his mouth and almost bit it off by the joynt, shewing it to his ant-

gonist as an assurance to him of some bloody revenge if ever he came neere that part of the harbour again. Indeed this beautifull City is more stayn'd with such horrid acts of revenge and murthers than any one place in Europ, or haply in the world, where there is a political government, which makes it unsafe to strangers. It is made a gallie matter to carry a knife whose point is not broken off.

This Palace of Negros is richly furnish'd with the rarest pictures; on the terrace, or hilly garden, there is a grove of stately trees amongst which are sheepe, shepherds, and wild beasts, cut very artificially in a grey stone; fountaines, rocks, and fish-ponds: casting your eyes one way, you would imagine yourselfe in a wildernesse and silent country; sideways, in the heart of a greate city; and backwards, in the middst of the sea. All this is within one acre of ground. In the house I noticed those red-plaster flores which are made so hard, and kept so polished, that for some time one would take them for whole pieces of porphyrie. I have frequently wonder'd that we never practic'd this in England for cabinets and rooms of state*, for it appears to me beyond any invention of that kind; but by their carefull covering them with canvas and fine mattresses, where there is much passage, I suppose they are not lasting in their glory.

There are numerous other Palaces of particular curiositys, for the merchands being very rich have, like our neighbours the Hollanders, little or no extent of ground to employ their estates in: as those in pictures and hangings, so these lay it out on marble houses and rich furniture.

One of the greatest here for circuit is that of the Prince d'Orrias, which reaches from the sea to the sum'it of the mountaines. The house is most magnificently built without, nor less gloriously furnish'd within, having whole tables † and bedsteads of massy silver, many of them sett with achates, onyxes, cornelians, lazulis, pearls, turquizes, and other precious stones. The pictures and statues are innumerable. To this Palace belong three gardens, the first whereof is beautified with

* There are such at Hardwick Hall in Derbyshire, a seat of the Duke of Devonshire.

† One of which, Lassells says, weighed 24,000 lbs. (p. 94.)

a terrace, supported by pillars of marble : there is a fountaine of eagles, and one of Neptune with other Sea-gods, all of the purest white marble ; they stand in a most ample basine of the same stone. At the side of this garden is such an aviary as S^t Fra. Bacon describes in his *Sermone fidelium*, or *Essays*, wherein grow trees of more than two foote diameter, besides cypresse, myrtis, lentises, and other rare shrubs, which serv to nestle and pearch all sorts of birds, who have ayre and place enough under their ayrie canopy, supported with huge iron worke, stupendious for its fabrick and the charge. The other two gardens are full of orange-trees, citrons, and pomegranads, fountaines, grotts, and statues ; one of the latter is a Colossal Jupiter, under which is the sepulchre of a beloved dog, for the care of which one of this family receiv'd of the K. of Spaine 500 crownes a yeare during the life of that faithfull animal. The reservoir of water here is a most admirable piece of art ; and so is the grotto over against it.

We went thence to the Palace of the Dukes, where is also the Court of Justice ; thence to the Merchants Walke, rarely covered. Neere * the Ducal Palace we saw the publiq armoury, which was almost all new, most neatly kept and order'd, sufficient for 30,000 men. We were shew'd many rare inventions and engines of warr peculiar to that armory, as in the state where gunns were first put in use. The garrison of the towne chiefly consists of Germans and Corsicans. The famous Strada Nova, built wholly of polish'd marble, was design'd by Rubens, and for statelinesse of the buildings, paving, and evennesse of the streete, is far superior to any in Europ, for the number of houses ; that of Don Carlo d'Orrias is a most magnifificent structure. In the gardens of the old Marquiss Spinola I saw huge citrons hanging on the trees, apply'd like our apricots to the walls. The Churches are no less splendid than the Palaces : that of St. Francis is wholly built of Parian marble ; St. Lawrence, in the middle of the City, of white and black polish'd stone, the inside wholly incrusted with marble and other precious materials ; on the altar of St. John stand 4 sumptuous columns of porphyry ; and here we were shew'd an emerald supposed to be one

* Ladrill says, in the Palace.

of the largest in the world*. The Church of St. Ambrosio belonging to the Jesuites, will, when finish'd, exceed all the rest. That of the Annunciada, founded at the charges of one family†, in the present and future designe can never be outdone for cost and art. The Mole is a worke of solid huge stone stretching neere 600 paces into the main sea, and secures the harbour, heretofore of no safety. Of all the wonders of Italy, for the art and nature of the designe, nothing parallels this‡. We pass'd over to the Pharos, or Lantern, a towre of very great height. Here we tooke horses and made the circuite of the City as far as the new walles would let us; they are built of a prodigious height, and with Herculean industry, witnesse those vast pieces of whole mountaines which they have hewn away, and blown up with gunpowder, to render them steepe and inaccessible. They are not much lesse than § 20 English miles in extent, reaching beyond the utmost buildings of the City. From one of these promontories we could easily discern the Island of Corsica; and from the same, Eastward, we saw a Vale having a great torrent running thro' a most desolate barren country; and then turning our eyes more Northward we saw those delicious Villas of St. Pietro d'Arena, which present another Genoa to you, the ravishing retirements of the Genoese nobility. Hence, with much paine, we descended towards the Arsenale, where the gallys lie in excellent order.

The inhabitants of this City are much affected to the Spanish mode and stately garbe||. From the narrowness of the streetes they use sedans and litters, and not coaches.

* Lassells calls it a great dish, in which they say here that our Saviour ate the Paschal Lamb with his Disciples; but he adds that he finds no authority for it in any ancient writer, and that Venerable Bede writes that the dish used by our Saviour was of silver. Of an authentic relike of St. John he observes that Baronius writes credibly.

† Two brothers, named Louellini, allow the third part of their gains. Lassells.

‡ The Break-water now (1816) forming at Plymouth is at least as stupendous a work.

§ Lassells says, finished in 18 months, and yet 6 miles in compass, p. 83.

|| Thus described by Lassells: broad hats without habands, broad leather girdles with steel buckles, narrow britches with long-waisted doublets and hanging-gloves. The great ladies go in guard infantia's (child preservers); that is, in horrible overgrown vertigals of whalebone, which being put about the waist of the lady, and full as broad on both sides as she can reach with her hands, bear out her coats in such a manner that she appears to be as broad as long. The men look like tumblers that leap thro' hoops, and the women like those that anciently danced the Hobby-horse in country mummings, p. 98.

19 Oct'. We embarked in a filuca for Ligorne [Leghorn], but the sea running very high we put in at Porta Venere, which we made with peril, between 2 narrow horrid rocks, against which the sea dashed with great velocity ; but we were soone delivered into as great a calme and a most ample harbor, being the Golpho di Spetia. From hence we could see Pliny's *Delphini Promontorium*, now call'd Cap. fino. Here stood that famous City of Luna, whence the Port was named *Lunaris*, being about 2 leagues over, more resembling a lake than an haven, but defended by castles and excessive high mountaines. We landed at Lerici, where, being Sunday, was a great procession, carrying the Sacrement about the streetes in solemn devotion. After dinner we took post horses, passing through whole groves of olive-trees, the way somewhat rugged and hilly at first, but afterwards pleasant. We passed thro' the townes of Sarazana and Massa, and the vast marble quarries of Carrara, and lodged in an obscure inn at a place called Viregio. The next morning we ariv'd at Pisa, where I met my old friend Mr. Tho'. Henshaw, who was then newly come out of Spaine, and from whose company I never parted till more than a years after.

The City of Pisa is as much worth seeing as any in Italy ; it has contended with Rome, Florence, Sardinia, Sicily, and even Carthage. The Palace and Church of St. Stephano (where the order of knighthood called by that name was instituted) drew first our curiosity, the outside thereof being altogether of polish'd marble ; within it is full of tables relating to this order ; over which hang divers banners and pendants, with other trophies taken by them from the Turkes, against whom they are particularly oblig'd to fight ; tho' a religious order, they are permitted to marry. At the front of the Palace stands a fountaine, and the statue of the grete Duke Cosimo. The Campanile, or Settezonio, built by John Venipont, a German, consists of several orders of pillars, 30 in a row, design'd to be much higher. It stands alone on the right side of the Cathedrall, strangely remarkable for this, that the beholder would expect it to fall, being built exceedingly declining*, by a rare addresse of the architect ; and how it is supported from falling I think would puzzle a good geome-

* See pp. 89, 171.

trician. The Domo, or Cathedrall, standing neere it, is a superb structure, beautified with 6 columns of greate antiquity ; the gates are of brass, of admirable workmanship. The Cemeterie cal'd Capo Santo is made of divers gally ladings of earth formerly brought from Jerusalem, said to be of such a nature as to consume dead bodies in fourty houres. 'Tis cloistered with marble arches ; here lies buried the learned Philip Decius who taught in this University. At one side of this Church stands an ample and well-wrought marble vessell which heretofore contain'd the tribute paid yearly by the Citty to Cæsar. It is plac'd, as I remember, on a pillar of opilestone, with divers other antiq urnes. Neere this, and in the same field, is the Baptistry of San Giovanni, built of pure white marble and cover'd with so artificial a cupola that the voice uttered under it seemes to breake out of a cloud. The font and pulpit supported by 4 lyons is of inestimable value for the preciousnesse of the materials. The place where these buildings stand they call the Area. Hence we went to the Colledge, to which joynes a Gallery so furnish'd with natural rarities, stones, minerals, shells, dry'd animals, skeletons, &c. as is hardly to be seen in Italy. To this the Physiq Garden lyes, where is a noble palm-tree and very fine water-workes. The river Arno runs through the middle of this stately Citye, whence the streete is named Longarno. It is so ample that the Duke's gallys, built in the Arsenal here, are easily convey'd to Livorno ; over the river is an arch, the like of which, for its flatness, and serving for a bridge, is no where in Europ. The Duke has a stately Palace, before which is placed the statue of Ferdinand the Third ; over against it is the Exchange, built of marble. Since this Citty came to be under the Dukes of Tuscany it has been much depopulated, tho' there is hardly in Italy any w^{ch} exceeds it for stately edifices. The situation of it is low and flat, but the inhabitants have spacious gardens and even fields within the walls.

21 Oct'. We tooke coach to Livorno, thro' the Great Duke's new Parke full of huge corke-trees, the underwood all myrtles, amongst which were many buffalos feeding, a kind of wild ox, short-nos'd, with hornes revers'd ; those who worke with them com'and them as our bearwards do the beares, with a ring thro' the nose, and a cord.

Much of this Parke, as well as a greate part of the country about it, is very fenny, and the ayre very bad.

Ligorne is the prime Port belonging to all the Duke's territories; heretofore a very obscure Towne, but since Duke Ferdinand has strongly fortified it (after the moderne way), has drain'd the marshes by cutting a channell thence to Pisa navigable 16 miles, and has rais'd a Mole, emulating that at Genoa, to secure the shipping, it is become a place of great receipt; it has also a place for the gallys, where they lye safe. Before the sea is an ample Piazza for the market, where are the statues in copper of the fower slaves, much exceeding the life for proportion, and, in the judgm' of most artists, one of the best pieces of modern worke*. Herc, especialy in this Piazza, is such a concourse of slaves, Turkes, Mores, and other nations, that the number and confusion is prodigious; some buying, others selling, others drinking, others playing, some working, others sleeping, fighting, singing, weeping, all nearly naked, and miserably chayn'd. Here was a tent, where any idle fellow might stake his liberty against a few crownes, at dice or other hazard, and, if he lost, he was imme- diately chayn'd and led away to the gallys, where he was to serve a tearn of yeares, but from whence they seldom return'd: many sottish persons in a drunken bravado would try their fortune in this way.

The houses of this neate Towne are very uniforme, and excellently paynted *a fresca* on the outer walls with representations of many of their victories over the Turkes. The houses, though low on account of the earthquakes w^{ch} frequently happen here (as did one during my being in Italy) are very well built; the Piazza is very fayre and com'odious, and with the Church whose 4 columns at the portico are of black marble polish'd, gave the first hint to the building both of the Church and Piazza in Covent Garden with us, tho' very imperfectly persu'd.

22 Oct. From Livorno I took coach to Empoly, where we lay, and the next day arriv'd at Florence, being recommended to the house

* They had attempted to steal a galley, meaning to have rowed it themselves, but were taken in this great enterprize. Launcelot, p. 333.

of Sig. Baritieri, in the Piazza dal Spirito Santo, where we were exceedingly well treated. Florence is at the foot of the Apennines, the West part full of stately groves and pleasant meadows, beautified with more than a thousand houses and country palaces of note, belonging to gentlemen of the towne. The river Arno runs through this City, in a broad but very shallow channell, dividing it; as it were, in the middle; and over it are severall most sumptuous bridges of stone. On that nearest to our quarter are the 4 Seasons in white marble; on another are the goldsmiths shops; at the head of the former stands a column of opite on which is a statue of Justice with her balance and sword, cut out of porphyrie, and the more remarkable for being the first which had been carved out of that hard material, and brought to perfection after the art had been utterly lost; they say this was done by hardening the tools in the juice of certayne herbs. This statue was erected in that corner because there Cosimo was first saluted with the newes of Sienna being taken.

Neere this is the famous Palazzo di Strozzi, a princely piece of architecture, in a rustiq manner. The Palace of Pitti was built by that family, but of late greatly beautified by Cosmo with huge square stones of the Doric, Ionic, and the Corinthian orders, with a terrace at each side having rustic uncut balustrades, with a fountain that ends in a cascado seen from the great gate, and so forming a vista to the gardens. Nothing is more admirable than the vacant stayrcase, marbles, statues, urnes, pictures, courtes, grotto, and waterworks. In the quadrangle is a huge jetto of water in a volto of 4 faces, with noble statues at each square, especially the Diana of porphyrie above the grotto. We were here shew'd a prodigious greate load-stone.

The garden has every variety, hills, dales, rocks, groves, aviaries, viraries, fountaines, especially one of five jettos, the middle basin being one of the longest stones I ever saw. Here is every thing to make such a paradise delightfull. In the garden I saw a ross grafted on an orange-tree. There was much topiary worke, and columns in architecture about the hedges. The Duke has added an ample laboratorie, over against which stands a Fort on a hill where they told us his

treasure is kept. In this Palace the Duke ordinarily resides, living with his Swiss guards after the frugal Italian way, and even selling what he can spare of his wines, at the cellar under his very house, wicker bottles dangling over even the chiefe entrance into the Palace, serving for a vintner's bush.

In the Church of St^o Spirito the altar and reliquary are most rich, full of precious stones; there are 4 pillars of a kind of serpentine, and some of blue. Hence we went to another Palace of the Duke's, called Palazzo Vecchio, before which is a statue of David by Michael Angelo, and one of Hercules killing Cacus, the work of Baccio Bandinelli. The quadrangle about this is of the Corinthian order, and in the hall are many rare marbles, as those of Leo the Tenth and Clement VII. both Popes of the Medicean family; also the acts of Cosmo in rare painting. In the Chapell is kept (as they would make one believe) the original Gospel of St. John, written with his owne hand; and the famous Florentine Pandects, and divers precious stones. Neere it is another pendant Towre like that at Pisa, always threatening ruine.

Under the Court of Justice is a stately Arcade for men to walke in, and over that the shops of divers rare artists who continually worke for the great Duke. Above this is that renowned Ceimeliarcha, or Repository, wherein are hundreds of admirable antiquities, statues of marble and mettal, vases of porphyrie, &c.; but amongst the statues none so famous as the Scipio, Boare, the Idol of Apollo brought from the Delphic Temple, and two triumphant columnnes. Over these hang the pictures of the most famous persons and illustrious men in arts or armes, to the number of 300, taken out of the Museum of Paulus Jovius. They then led us into a large square roome, in the middle of which stood a cabinet of an octangular forme, so adorn'd and furnish'd with christals, achat, sculptures, &c. as exceeds any description. This cabinet is called the *Tribuna*; and in it is a pearl as big as a hazale nut*. The cabinet is of ebonie, lazuli, and jasper; over the

* Sir Gore Ouseley brought from Persia a picture of the Khan, now (1816) in his house in Sutton-street, on whose dress are represented pearls of such a size as to make the one here spoken of very insignificant.

door is a round of M. Angelo; in the cabinet, *Leo the Tenth*, with other paintings of Raphael, del Sarto, Perugino, and Correggio, viz. a *St. John*, a *Virgin*, a *Boy*, 2 *Apostles*, 2 Heads of Durer, rarely carved. Over this cabinet is a Globe of ivory, excellently carved; the Labours of Hercules in massy silver, and many incomparable pictures in small. There is another, which had about it 8 oriental columns of alabaster, on each whereof was placed a head of a Cæsar, cover'd with a canopy so richly set with precious stones that they resembled a firmament of starrs. Within it was our Saviour's Passion and 12 Apostles in amber. This cabinet was valued at two hundred thousand crownes. In another, with Calcidon pillars, was a series of golden medallis. Here is also another rich ebony Cabinet cupola'd with a tortoise-shell and containing a collection of gold medails esteem'd worth 50,000 crownes; a wreathed pillar of oriental alabaster, divers paintings of Da Vinci, Pontormo, del Sarto, an *Eccle Homo* of Titian, a *Boy* of Bronzini, &c. They shew'd us a branch of corall fixed on the rock which they affirme dos still grow. In another roome is kept the Tabernacle appointed for the Chapel of St. Lawrence, about which are placed small statues of Saints, of precious materials; a piece of such art and cost, that, having been these 40 years in perfecting, it is one of the most curious things in the world. Here were divers tables of Pietra Comessa, which is a marble ground inlay'd with severall sorts of marbles and stones of various colours, representing flowers, trees, beasts, birds, and landscapes. In one is represented the town of Ligorne by the same hand who inlay'd the altar of St. Lawrence. Domenico Benotti, I purchased of him 19 pieces of the same worke for a cabinet. In a presse neere this they shew'd an yron naile, one halfe whereof being converted into gold by one Thornheuser, a German chymist, is look'd on as a greate rarity, but it plainly appeared to have been soldered together. There is a curious watch, a monstrous turquoise as big as an egg, on which is carved an emperors head.

In the Armory are kept many antiqu habits, as those of Chinese kings; the sword of Charlemain; Hannibels head-piece; a loadstone of a yard long, which bears up 86 lbs. weight, in a chaine of 17 links,

such as the slaves are tied to. In another room are such rare tourneys in ivory as are not to be described for their curiositie. There is a faire pillar of oriental alabaster; 12 vast and compleate services of silver plate, and one of gold, all of excellent workmanship; a rich embrodred saddle of pearls sent by the Emperor to this Duke; and here is that embrodred chaire set with precious stones in which he sits, when, on St. John's Day, he receives the tribute of the Cities.

25 Oct. We went to the Portico where the famous statues of Judith and Holofernes stand, also the Medusa, all of copper; but what is most admirable is the Rape of a Sabine with another man under foot, the confusion and turning of whose limbs is most admirable. It is of one entire marble, the worke of John di Bologna, and is most stupendous; this stands directly against the greate Piazza, where, to adorne one fountaine, are erected four marble statues and eight of brasse, representing Neptune and his family of sea-gods, of a Colossean magnitude, with four sea-horses in Parian marble of Lamedrati; this is in the midst of a very great basin, a work, I think, hardly to be paralleld. Here is also the famous statue of David by M. Angelo; Hercules and Cacus by Baccio Bandinelli; the Perseus in copper by Benevento, and the Judith of Donatelli, w^{ch} stand publickly before the old palace with the Centaur of Bologna, huge Colossean figures. Neere this stands Cosmo di Medici on horseback, in brasse on a pedestal of marble, and four copper bass relievos by John di Bologua, with divers inscriptions; the Ferdinand the First on horseback is of Pietro Tacca. The brazen Boare which serves for another publiq fountaine is admirable.

After dinner we went to the church of Annunciatⁱ, where the Duke and his Court were at their devotions, being a place of extraordinary repute for sanctity; for here is a shrine that dos greate miracles, [proved] by innumerable votive tablets, &c. covering almost the walls of the whole church. This is the image of Gabriel who saluted the Bl. Virgin, and which the artist finish'd so well that he was in despaire of performing the Virgin's face, whereupon it was miraculously done for him whist he slept; but others say it was painted by St. Luke himselfe. Whoever it was, infinite is the devotion of both sexes to it. The altar is set off with four columns of oriental alabaster, and lighted

by thirty greate silver lamps. There are innumerable other pictures by rare masters. Our Saviour's passion in brasse tables inserted it. marble is the worke of John di Bologna and Baccio Bindinelli.

To this church joynes a Convent whose cloister is painted in *fresca* very rarely. There is also neere it an Hospital for 1000 persons, with nurse children, and several other charitable accom'odations.

At the Duke's Cavalerizzo, the Prince has a stable of the finest horses of all countries, Arabs, Turks, Barbs, Gennets, English, &c. which are continually exercis'd in the *manège*.

Nere this is a place where are kept several wild beasts, as wolv, catts, beares, tygers, and lions. They are loose in a deep wall'd court, and therefore to be seene with more pleasure than at the Tower of London, in their grates. One of the lions leaped to a surprising height to catch a joynt of mutton which I caused to be hung downe.

*There are many playne brick towers erected for defence when this [Sienna] was a free state. The highest is called *la Mangio*, standing at the foote of the Piazza, which we went first to see after our arival. At the entrance of this tower is a Chapel, open towards the Piazza, of marble well adorn'd with sculpture.

On the other side is the Signoria, or Court of Justice, well built *a la moderna* of brick; indeed the bricks of Sienna are so well made that they look almost as well as porphyrit itselfe, having a kind of natural polish.

In the Senate House is a very faire hall where they sometimes entertain the people with publiq shews and operas as they call them. Towards the left are the statues of Romulus and Remus with the Wolf, all of brasse, plac'd on a column of ophite stone which they report was brought from the renowned Ephesian Temple. These ensignes being the armes of the towne, are set up in divers of the strectes and publiq wayes both within and far without the cit.y.

The Piazza compasses the faciata of the Court and Chapel, and, being made with descending steps, much resembles the figure of an escalop shell. The white ranges of pavement intermix'd with the excellent bricks above mention'd, with which the town is generally well paved,

* There seems to be an omission in the MS. as to their leaving Florence and going to Sienna.

render it very clean. About this market-place (for so it is) are many faire palaces, though not built with excesse of elegance. There stands an arch the worke of Baltazar di Sienua, built with wonderfull ingenuity so that it is not easy to conceive how it is supported, yet it has some imperceptible contignations wh^{ch} do not betray themselves easily to the eye. On the edge of the Piazza is a goodly fountaine beautified with statues, the water issuing out of the wolves mouths, being the worke of Jacobo Quercei, a famous artist. There are divers other public fountaines in the City, of good designe.

The Sapienza is the University, or rather Colledg, where the High Germans enjoy many particular priviledges when they addict themselves to the Civil Law. This place has produced many excellent sc^holars, besides those three Popes, Alexander, Pius the IInd, and the IIrd of that name the learned Aeneas Sylvius, and both were of the antient house of the Piccolomini.

The chiefe streete is called Strada Romana in which Pius the IInd has built a most stately Palace of square stone with an incomparable portico joyning neere to it. The towne is comanded by a Castle which hath four bastions and a garison of scouldiers. Neere it is a List to ride horses in, much frequaented by the gallants in summe.

Not far from hence is the Church and Convent of the Dominicans, where in the Chapel of St. Catherine of Sienna they shew her head, the rest of her body being translated to Rome. The Domo or Cathedral, both without and within, is of large square stones of black and white marble polish'd, of inexpressible beauty, as is the front adorn'd with sculpture and rare statuces. In the middle is a stately cupola and two columns of sundry streaked colour'd marble. About the body of the Chrrch on a cornice within are inserted the heads of all the Popes. The pulpit is beautified with marble figures, a piece of exquisite worke; but what exceeds all description is the pavement, where (besides the various emblemes and other figures in the have) the quire is wrought with the History of the Bible, so artificially express'd in the natural colours of the marbles that few pictures exceede it. Here stands a Christo rarely cut in marble, and on the large high Altar is a brasen vessell of admirable invention and art. The organs are exceeding sweete and well

tun'd. On the left side of the altar is the Library, where are painted the acts of Aeneas Sylvius and others by Raphael. They shew'd us an arme of St. John the Baptist, wherewith, they say, he baptized our Saviour in Jordan; it was given by the King of Peloponesus to one of the Popes, as an inscription testifies. They have also St. Peter's Sword with which he smote off the ear of Malchus.

Just against the Cathedral we went into the Hospital, where they entertain and refresh for three or four days, gratis, such pilgrimes as go to Rome. In the Chapel belonging to it lies the body of St. Susorius their founder, as yet uncorrupted though dead many hundreds of yeares. They shew one of the nailes which pierced our Saviour, and St. Chrysostom's Comment on the Gospel written by his owne hand. Below the hill stands the pool called Fonte Brande, where fish are fed for pleasure more than foode.

St. Francis's Church is a large pile, neere which, yet a little without the Citty, growes a tree which they report in their legend grew from the Saint's staff, which on going to sleepe he fix'd in the ground, and at his waking found it had grown a large tree. They affirme that the wood of it in decoction cures sundry diseases.

2 Nov. We went from Sienna, desirous of being present at the Cavalcade of the new Pope Innocent X.* who had not yet made the grand procession to St. John de Lateran. We set out by Porto Romano, the country all about the towne being rare for hunting and game. Wild boare and venison are frequently sold in the shops in many of the townes about it. We pass'd neere Mont Oliveto, where the Monastrie of that Order is pleasantly situated and worth seeing. Passing over a bridg, which, by the inscription, appears to have been built by Prince Matthias, we went through Buon-Conventa, famous for the death of the Emperor Hon. VII. who was here poison'd in the holy Eucharist. Thence we came to Torniero, where we din'd. This village is in a sweete vally in view of Monte Alcini, famous for the rare Muscatello †. After three miles more we go by St. Querico, and lay at a privat Osteria neere it, where after we were provided of lodging, came in Cardinal

* John Baptista Pamphili, chosen Pope in October 1644, died in 1655.

† A wine.

Doughi, a Genoese by birth, now come from Rome: he was so civil as to entertaine us with greate respect, hearing we were English, for that, he told us, he had been once in our country. Amongst other discourse he related how a dove was seen to sit on the chayre in the Conclave at the election of Pope Innocent, which he magnified as a greate good omen, with other particulars which we enquir'd of him, till our suppers parted us. He came in great state with his owne bedstead and all the furniture, yet would by no meanes suffer us to resigne the room we had taken up in the lodging before his arrival. Next morning we rod by Monte Pientio, or, as vulgarly called, Monte Mantu-mato, which is of an excessive height, ever and anon peeping above any clowds with its snowy head, till we had climbed to the inn at Radi, cofany built by Ferd^d the greate Duke for the necessary refreshment of travellers in so inhospitable a place. As we ascended we entered a very thick, solid, and dark body of cloudes, w^{ch} look'd like rocks at a little distancee, which lasted neare a mile in going up; they were dry misty vapours, hanging undissolved for a vast thicknesse, and obscuring both the sun and earth, so that we seemed to be in the sea rather than in the cloudes, till, having pierced through it we came into a most serene heaven, as if we had been above all human conversation, the mountaine appearing more like a greate island than joyn'd to any other hills, for we could perceive nothing but a sea of thick cloudes rowling under our feete like huge waves, every now and then suffering the top of some other mountaine to peepe through, which we could discover many miles off; and betweene some breaches of the cloudes we could see landskips and villages of the subjacent country. This was one of he most pleasant, newe, and altogether surprizing objects that I had ever beheld.

On the sum'it of this horrid rock (for so it is) is built a very strong fort, garrison'd, and somewhat beneath it is a small Towne: the provisions are drawne up with ropes and engines, the precipice being otherwise inaccessible. At one end of the town lie heapes of rocks o strangely broaken off from the ragged mountaine as wold affright me with their horror and menacing postures. Just opposite to the mth gushed out a plentifull and most useful fountaine, which falls into

a great trough of stone, bearing the Duke of Tuscany's arms. Here we din'd, and I with my black lead pen tooke the prospect*. It is one of the utmost confines of the Etrurian State towards St. Peter's Patrimony since the gift of Matilda to Gregory 7, as they say.

Here we passe a stone bridg built by Pope Gregory XIV. and theue immediately to Aquapendente†, a town situated on a very ragged rock, down which precipitates an intire river with a horrid roaring noise. From this river it has its name. We lay at the Post-house, on which is this inscription :

" L'Insegna della Posta, è posta a posta."

In questa posta, fin che habbia à sua posta
Ogn' un Cavallo à Vetturi in Posta."

Before it was darke we went to see the Monastery of the Franciscans, famous for 6 learned Popes and sundry other great scholars, especialy the renowned physician and anatomist Fabricius de Aquapendente, who was bred and borne here.

4 Nov. After a little riding we descend towards the Lake of Bolsena, which being above 20 miles in circuit yields from hence a most incomparable prospect. Neere the middle of it are 2 small islands, in one of which is a Convent of melancholy Capucines, where those of the Farnesian family are interred. Pliny calls it Tarquinensis Lacus, and talks of divers floting islands about it, but they did not appear to us. The Lake is environ'd with mountaines, at one of whose sides we pass'd towards the towne Bolsena, anciently Vulsinium, famous in those times, as is testified by divers rare sculptures in the court of St. Christiana's Church, the urne, altar, and jasper columns.

After 7 miles riding, passing thro' a wood heretofore sacred to Juno, we came to Monte Fiascone, the head of the Falisci a famous people in old time, heretofore Falernum, as renowned for its excellent wine, as now for the story of the Dutch Bishop, who lyes buried in Faviano's Church with this epitaph :

" Propter Est, Est, dominus natus mortuus est."

* An etching of it, with others, is in the Library at Wotton.

† 12 miles from the Duke's Inn, according to Lassells.

Because having ordered his servant to ride before, enquire where the best wine was, and there write *Est*, the man found some so good that he wrote *Est, Est*, and the Bishop drinking too much of it died.

From hence we travell a plain and pleasant champaign to Viterbo which presents itselfe with much state afar off, in regard of her many lofty pinnacles and toweres; neither doth it deceive our expectation, for it is exceedingly beautified with publiq fountaines, especially that at the entrance which is all of brasse and adorn'd with many rare figures, and salutes the passenger with a most agreeable object and refreshing waters. There are many Popes buried in this City, and in the Palace is this odd inscription:

" Osiridis victoria in Gigantes litteris historiographicis in hec antiquissimo marmore inscriptam, ex Herculis olim nunc Divi Laurentij Templo translatam, ad conversam: vetustiss: patriæ monumenta atq' decora hic locundum statuit S. P. Q. V.

Under it :

Sum Osiris Rex Jupi-	Sum Osiris Rex qui	Sum Osiris Rex qui
ter universo in terrarum	ab Italia in Gigantes ex-	terrarum pacato Italianam
orbe.	ercitus veni, vidi, et vici.	decem a nos quorum in-
		ventor fui."

Neere the towne is a sulphureous fountain which continually boils. After dinner we tooke horse by the new way of Capranica, and so passing near Mount Ciminus and the Lake, we began to enter the plains of Rome, at which sight my thoughts were strangely elevated, but soon allay'd by so violent a shower which fell just as we were contemplating that proud mistress of the world, and descending by the Vatican (for at that gate we entered), that before we got into the City I was wet to the skin.

I came to Rome on the 4 Nov. 1644, about 5 at night, and being perplexed for a convenient lodging wandered up and down on horseback, till at last one conducted us to Mons. Petrucci, a Frenchman, near the Piazza Spagnola. Here I alighted, and having bargained with my host for 20 crownes a moneth I caused a good fire to be made in my chamber and went to bed, being so very wet. The next morning (for I was resolved to spend no time idly here) I got acquainted with several persons who had long lived in Rome. I was especially recommended to

ather John, a Benedictine monke and Superior of his Order for the English College of Douay, a person of singular learning, religion, and humanity; also to M^r Patrick Cary, an Abbot, brother to our learned Lord Falkland, a witty young priest who afterwards came over to our Church; Dr. Bacon and Dr. Gibbs *, physicians who had dependance on Cardinal Caponi, the latter being an excellent poet; Father Cortne, the Chiese of the Jesuites in the English Colledge; my Lord of Somerset brother to the Marquiss of Worcester, and some others, from whom I received instructions how to behave in towne, with directions to masters and bookees to take in search of the antiquities, churches, collections, &c. Accordingly the next day, Nov^r 6th, I began to be very *pragmatical* †.

In the first place our *Sights-man* ‡ (for so they name certain persons here who get their living by leading strangers about to see the City) went to the Palace Farnezi, a magnificent square structure, built by Michael Angelo of the 3 orders of columns after the ancient manner, and when Architecture was but newly recovered from the Gotic barbarity. The court is square and tarrass'd, having two payre of staires, which leade to the upper roomes, and conducted us to that famous gallery painted by Agostino Caracci, than which nothing is more rare of that art; so deepe and well-studie are all the figures, that it would require more judgement than I confesse I had, to determine whether they were flat or emboss'd. Thence we passed into another painted in *chiara oscuro*, representing the fabulous history of Hercules. We went out on a terrace, where was a pretty garden on the leads, for it is built in a place that has no extent of ground backwards. The

* James Albin Gibbs, a Scotchman bred at Oxford, who resided many years at Rome, where he died in 1677, and was burried in the Pantheon there with an epitaph to his memory under a marble bust of him. He was an extraordinary character. In Wood's *Athenae* is a long account of him, and also some curious particulars in Warton's Life of Dr. Bathurst. He was a great writer of Latin Poetry, a small collection of which he published at Rome, to which is prefixed his portrait neatly engrav'd.

† Mr. Evelyn must intend this in a good sense, very active and full of business, viz. what he came upon, to view the antiquities and beauties of Rome, both ancient and modern.

‡ The present name for these gentlemen is with the Italians a *Cicerone*, but they affect universally the title of *Antiquaries*.

greate Hall is wrought by Salviati and Zuccaro, furnish'd with statues, one of which being modern is a figure of one of the Farnese in a triumphant posture, of white marble, worthy of admiration. Here we were shew'd the Museum of Fulvius Ursinus replete with innumerabell collections; but the Major Domo being absent, we could not at this time see all we had a desire to see. Descending into the court we with astonishment contemplated the 2 statues of Hercules and Flora, so much celebrated by Pliny. There is a modern statue of Hercules and two Gladiators not to be despis'd. In a second court was a temporary shelter of boards over the most stupendous and never to be sufficently admir'd Torso of Amphion and Dirces, represented in 5 figures exceeding the life in magnitude, of the purest white marble, the contending work of those famous statuaries, Apollonius and Taurisio in the time of Augustus, hewed out of one entire stone, and remaining unblemished, to be valued beyond all the marbles of the world for its antiquity and workmanship. There are divers other heads and busts. At the entrance of this stately Palace stand 2 rare and vast fountaines of garnito stone, brought into this Piazza out of Titus's Bathes. Here in sum'ner the gentlemen of Rome take the fresco in their coaches and on foote. At the sides of this court we vissited the Palace of Sign. Pichini, who has a good collection of antiquities, especially the Adonis of Parian marble, which my Lord Arundel would once have purchas'd if a greate price would have been taken for it.

7 Nov. We went into the Campo Vaccino by the ruines of the Temple of Peace built by Titus Vespasianus, thought to be the largest, as well as the most richly furnish'd, of all the Roman dedicat'd places; it is now an heape rather than a temple, yet the mosaick and volto continue firme, shewing it to have been formerly of incomparable workmanship. This goodly structure was, none know how consum'd by fire the very night, by all computation, that our Nation was born.

Hence we passed by the place into w^t Curtius precipitously himself for the love of his country, tho' without any sign of a blow or vorgo. Neare this stand some remains of white marble, or exquisit worke, supposed to be part of the Temple of Jupiter Tonans built by

Augustus; the worke of the capitals (being Corinthian) and architrave is excellent, full of sacrificing utensils. There are 3 other of Jupiter Statos. Opposite to these are the Oratories or Churches of St. Cosmo and Damiano, heretofore the temples of Romulus and Remus, a pretty odd fabriq, with a Tributel, or Tholus within, wrought all of Mosaic. The gates before it are brasse, and the whole much obliged to Pope Urban the 8th. Here lie the bodies of those 2 Martyrs; and in a Chapel on the right hand is a rare painting of Cavaliero Baylione. We next entered St. Laurenzo in Miranda. The portico is supported by a range of most stately columns; the inscription cut in the architrave shews it to have been the Temple of Faustina. It is now made a faire Church, and has an Hospital which joines it. On the same side is St. Adriano, heretofore dedicated to Saturne. Before this was once placed a Miliary Column, supposed to be set in the center of the Citty, from whence they us'd to compute the distance of all the citties and places of note under the dominion of those universal Monarchs. To this Church are likewise brasse gates and a noble front. Just opposite they shew'd us heapes and ruines of Cicero's Palace. Hence we went towards Mons Capitolinius, at the foote of which stands the Arch of Septimius Severus, full and entire, save where the pedestal and some of the lower members are choked up with ruines and earth. This Arch is exceedingly enrich'd with sculpture and trophies, with a large inscription. In the terrestrial and naval battailes here graven is seen the Roman *Aries* [the battering-ram]. This was the first triumphal Arch set up in Rome. The Capitol, to which we climbed by very broad steps, is built about a square court, to the right hand of which going up from Campo Vaccino gushes a plentiful streame from the statue of Tybur in porphyry, very antiquitatis; another representing Rome; but above all is the admirable figure of Mercurius casting water into a most ample Concha. The said court is crowned with an excellent fabriq containing the Courts of Justice, and where the Criminal Notary sits, and others. In one of these they shew the statues of Gregory XIII. and Paule III. with several others. To this joynes a handsome Tower, the whole adorne'd with noble statnes both on the outside and on the battlements, accedded by a double payre of staires, and a stately Posario.

In the center of the court stands that incomparable Horse bearing the Emperor Marcus Aurelius, as big as the life, of Corinthian metall, placed on a pedestal of marble, esteem'd one of the noblest pieces of worke now extant, antique and very rare. There is also a vast Head of a Colossean magnitude, of white marble, fixed in the wall. At the descending stayres are sett two Horses of white marble governed by 2 naked Slaves, taken to be meant for Castor and Pollux, brought from Pompey's Theatre. On the balustrade the Trophies of Marins against the Cimbrians, very ancient and instructive. At the foote of the stepps towards the left hand is that Colonna Miliaria with the globe of brasse on it, mention'd to have been formerly sett in Campo Vaccino. On the same hand is the Palace of the Segniori Conservatori, or 3 Consuls, now the Civil Governors of the City, containing the Fraternities or Halls (or Guilds, as we call them) of sundry Companys, and other offices of state. Under the Portico within, are the statues of Augustus Caesar, a Bacchus, and the so renowned Colonga Rostrata of Duillius, with the excellent bassi reliev. In a smaller court are the statue of Constantine on a fountaine, a Minerva's head of brasse, and that of Com'odus to which belongs an hand the thumb of which is at least an ell long, but the rest of the Colosse is lost. In the corner of this Court stand an horse and lyon fighting, as big as life, in white marble, exceedingly valu'd; likewise the Rape of the Sabines; 2 cumbent figures of Alexander and Mammea; 2 monstrous stetes of a Colosse of Apollo; the sepulchre of Agrippina; and the Standard, or antiqu measure of the Roman foote. Ascending by the stepps of the other corner, are inserted lower basse reliev's, vñ the triumph and sacrifice of Marcus Aurelius, which last, for the antiquity and rareness of the worke, I caused my painter Carlo Neapolitano to copy. There are also 2 statues of the Muses, and one of Adrian the Emperor; above stands the figure of Marius, and by the wall Marrias bound to a tree; all of them excellent and antique. Above, in the Lobby, are inserted into the wall those antient laws on brasse callid the 12 Tables; a faire Madona of Pietro Perugino, painted on the wall; neere which are the Archives full of ancient records. In the

great Hall are divers excellent paintings of Cavaliero Giuseppe d'Arpino, a statue in brasse of Sixtus V. and of Leo X. of marble. In another Hall are many modern statues of their late Consuls and Governors, set about with s̄ns antique heads; others are painted by excellent masters, representing the actions of M. Scævola, Horatius Coles, &c.—The room where the Conservatori now feast on solemn days is tapisstred with crimson damasq embrodred with gold, haveing a state or balduquin of crimson velvet very rich, the freeze above rarely painted. Here are in brasse, Romulus and Remus sucking the Wolfe, with the shepherd Fanstulus by them; also the Boy plucking the thorne out of his foote (in brasse) so much admir'd by artists. There are also holy statnes and heads of Saints. In a Gallery neere adjoyning are the names of the ancient Consuls, Praetors, and Fasti Romani, so celebrated by the learned; also the figure of an old woman; 2 others representing Poverty; and more in fragments. In another large roome furnish'd with velvet are the statue of Adonis very rare, and divers antiq heads. In the next chamber is an old statue of Cicero, one of another Consul, an Hercules in brasse, 2 women's heads of incomparable worke, six other statues; and over the chimney a very rare basso relievo and other figures. In a little Lobby before the Chapell is the statue of Hannibal, Bacchus very antiq, bustos of Pan and Mercury, with other old heads. All these noble statues, &c. belong to the Citty, and cannot be diapos'd of to any privat person or remov'd hence, but are preserv'd for the honor of the place, though greate sumes have been offer'd for them by divers great Princes lovers of art and antiquity. We now left the Capitol, certainly one of the most reuown'd places in the world, even as now built by the designe of the famous M. Angelo.

Returning home by Ara Cæli, we mounted to it by more than 100 marble steppes, not in devotion as I observed some to do on their bare knees, but to see those two famous statues of Constantine in white marble, placed there out of his Bathes. In this Church is a *Madona*, reported to be painted by St. Luke, and a column, on which we saw the print of s̄nts which they affirme to have been that of the Angel, seene on the Castle of St. Angelo. Here the feast of our blessed Saviour's

nativity being yearly celebrated with divers pageants, they began to make the preparation. Having viewed the Palace and Fountaine at the other side of the stayres, we return'd weary to our lodgings.

On the 7th we went againe towards the Capitol, towards the Tarpeian rock, whence it has a goodly prospect of the Tybur. Thence descending by the Tullianum, where they told us St. Peter was imprisoned, they shew'd us a Chapell in which a rocky side of it beares the impression of his face. In the nave of the Church gushes a fountaine which they say was caused by the Apostle's prayers, when having converted some of his fellow-captives he wanted water to baptize them. We then walked about Mount Palatinus and the Aventine, and thence to the Circus Maximus, capable of holding 40,000 spectators, now a heap of ruines converted into gardens. Then by the Forum Boarium, where they have a tradition that Hercules slew Cacus, some ruines of his Temple remaining. The Temple of Janus quadrifrontis, having 4 arches importing the 4 Seasons, and on each side niches for the Monethes, is still a substantial and pretty entire antiquity. Neere this is the Argus Argentarius. Bending now towards the Tyber we went into the Theater of Marcellus, which would hold 80,000 persons, built by Augustus and dedicated to his nephew; the architecture from what remaines appears to be inferior to none. It is now wholly converted into the house of the Savelli, one of the old Roman families. The people were now generally busye in erecting temporary triumphs and arches with statues and flattering inscriptions against his Holiness's grand procession to St. John de Lateran, amongst which the Jewes also began one in testimony of gratitude for their protection under the Papal State. The Palazzo Barberini, designed by the present Pope's Architect, Cavaliero Bernini, seems from the size to be as princely an object as any moderne building in Europ. It has a double Portico, at the end of which we ascended by 2 paire of oval stayres all of stone and voide in the well. One of these led us into a stately Hall, the volto whereof was newly painted a fresca by the rare hand of Pietro Berrettini di Cortona. To this is annex'd a Gallery compleatly furnish'd with whatever Art can call rare and singular, and a Library full of worthy collections, medaills, marbles, and manuscripts, but above all

an Egyptian Osyris, remarkable for the material being unknown and for its antiquity. In one of the roomes neere this hangs the Sposalicio of St. Sebastian, the original of Annibal Caracci, of which I procured a copy little inferior to the prototype; a table in my judgment superior to any thing I had seen in Rome. In the Court is a vast broaken Giulio Obelisq having divers hieroglyphics cut on it.

8 Nov. We visited the Jesuites Church, the front whereof is esteem'd a noble piece of architecture, the designe of Jacomo della Porta and the famous Vignola. In this Church lies the body of their renown'd Ignatins Loyola, an arme of Xaverius, their other Apostle, and at the right end of their high altar their Champion Card: Bellarmine. Father Kircherns (professor of Mathematics and of the Oriental tongues) shew'd us many singular courtesies, leading us into their Refectory, Dispensatory, Laboratory, Gardens, and finally (through an Hall hung round with pictures of such of their order as had been executed for their pragmatical and buisy adventures) into his own study, where, with Dutch patience, he shew'd us his perpetual motions, catoptries, magnetical experiments, models, and a thousand other crotchetts and devices, most of them since published by himselfe or his industrious scholar Schotti.

Returning home we view'd the Palazzo de Medici, which was a house of the Duke of Florence, neere our lodging, on the brow of Mons Pincius, having a fine prospect towards the Campo Marzo. It is a magnificent, strong building, having a substruction very remarkable, and a portico supported with columns towards the gardens, with two huge lions of marble at the end of the balustrade. The whole outside of the facia is incrusted with antiq and rare basse-relieves and statues. Descending into the garden is a noble fountaine govern'd by a Mercury of brasse. At a little distance on the left is a lodge full of fine statues, amongst which the Sabines is antiq and singularly rare. In this areado neere this stand 24 statues of great price, and hard by is a mount planted with cypresses representing a fortresse, with a goodly fountaine in the middle. Here is also a row balusters with white marble, covered over with the natural shrubbs, ivy, and other perennial greenes, divers statues and heads being placed as in niches.

At a little distance are those fam'd statuēs of Niobe and her family, in all 15, as large as the life, of which we have ample mention in Pliny, esteemed among the best pieces of worke in the world for the passions they expresse, and all other perfections of that stupendous art. There is in this garden a faire obelisq full of hieroglyphics. In going out, the fountaine before the front casts water neere 50 foote in hieght when it is received in a most ample marble basin. Here they usually rode the greate-horse every morning, which gave me much diversion from the tarrace of my owne chamber, where I could see all their motions. This evening I was invited to heare rare musiq at the Chiesa Nova; the black marble pillars within led us to that most precious Oratory of Philippus Neriua their founder, they being of the oratory of secular priests, under no vow. There are in it divers good pictures, as the *Assumption* of Girolamo Mutiano; the *Crucifix*; the *Visitation of Elizabeth*; the *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin*; *Christo Sepolto* of Guido Rheno, Caravigio, Arpino, and others. This faire Church consists of 14 altars and as many chapells. In it is buried (besides their Saint) Cæsar Baronius the greate annalist. Through this we went into the Sacristia, where, the tapers being lighted, one of the Order preach'd; after him stepp'd up a child of 8 or 9 years old who pronounced au oration with so much grace, that I never was better pleas'd than to heare Italian so well and so intelligently spoken. This course it seemes they frequently use, to bring their scholars to a habit of speaking distinctly, and forming their action and assurance, which none so much want as ours in England. This being finish'd began their Motettos, which, in a lofty cupola richly painted, were sung by eunuchs and other rare voices, accompanied with theorbos, harpsicors, and viols, so that we were even ravish'd with the entertainment of the evening. This roome is painted by Cortona, and has in it two figures in the niches, and the Church stands in one of the most stately streetes of Roine.

10th Nov. We went to see Prince Ludovisio's villa where was formerly the *Viridarium* of the poet Sallust. The house is very magnificent, and the extent of the ground is exceeding large considering that it is in a Citty; in every quarter of the garden are antiqu statuēs,

and walkes planted with cypresse. To this garden belongs a house of retirement built in the figure of a crosse after a particular ordonance, especially the staypecase. The whiteness and smoothness of the pargetting was a thing I much observ'd, being almost as even and polish'd as if it had been marble. Above is a faire prospect of the City. In one of the chambers hang two famous pieces of Bassano, the one a *Vulcan*, the other a *Nativity*; there is a German clock full of rare and extraordinary motions, and in a little room below are many precious marbles, columns, urnes, vasas, and noble statues of porphyry, Oriental alabaster, and other rare materials. About this fabriq is an ample area, environ'd with 16 vast jarrs of red earth wherein the Romans us'd to preserve their oyle, or wine rather, which they buried, and such as are properly call'd *Testæ*. I must never forget the famoas statue of the Gladiator spoken of by Pliniy, so much follow'd by all the rare artists as the many copies testifie, dispersed through almost all Europ both in stone and metal. There is also an Hercules, a head of porphyrie, and one of Marcus Aurelius. In the Villa-house is a man's body, flesh and all, petrified and even converted to marble, as it was found in the Alps, and sent by the Emperor to one of the Popes; it lay in a chest or cofin lin'd with black velvet, and one of the armes being broken, you may see the perfect bone from the flesh which remains intire. The Rape of Proserpine in marble is of the purest white, the worke of Bernini. In the cabinet neere it are immumerable small brass figures and other curiosities. But what some looke upon as exceeding all the rest, is a very rich bedstead (which sort of grosse furniture the Italians much glory in, as formerly did our grandfathers in England in their inlaid wooden ones) inlaid with all sorts of precious stones and antiq heads, onyxs, achates, and cornelians, esteem'd to be worth 80 or 90,000 crownes. Here are also divers cabinets and tables of the Florence work, besides pictures in the gallery, especialy the *Apollo*. There is a chayre to sleepe in with the leggs stretchit out, with books, and pieces of wood to draw out longer or shorter.

From this we went to see Sign. Angeloni's study, who very courteously shew'd us such a collection of rare medaills as is hardly to be

parallel'd; divers good pictures, and many outlandish and Indian curiosities and things of nature.

Hence we went to Monte Cavallo, heretofore call'd Mons Quirinalis, where we saw those two rare horses, the worke of the rivals Phidias and Praxiteles, as they were sent as a present to Nero [by Tiridates King] out of Arminia. They were placed on pedestals of white marble by Sixtus V. by whom I suppose their injuries were repair'd. They are govern'd by 4 naked slaves like those at the foote of the Capitol. Here runs a most noble fountaine, faceing fower of the most stately streetes for building and beauty to be seen in any City of Europ. Opposite to these statu's is the Pope's Sum'er Palace, built by Gregory X. and in my opinion for the largeness and the architecture one of the most conspicuous in Rome. It has a stately portico which leads round the court under columns, in the center of which runs a beautifull fountaine. The chapell is incrusted with such precious materials, that nothing can be more rich or glorious; nor are the other ornaments and moveables about it at ali inferior. The hall is painted by Lanfranci and others. The garden, which is call'd the *Belvedere di Monte Cavallo*, in emulation to that of the Vatican, is most excellent for ayre and prospect, its exquisite fountaines, close walks, grotts, piscinas or stews for fish, planted about with venerable cypresses, and refresh'd with water-musiq, aviaries, and other rarities.

12th Nov. We saw Dioclesian's Bathes, whose ruines testifie the vastnesse of the original foundation and magnificence; by what M. Angelo tooke from the ornaments about it, 'tis sayd he restor'd the then almost lost art of architecture. This monstrous pile was built by the labour of the primitive Christians, then under one of the ten great persecutions. The Church of St. Bernardo is made out of one onely of these ruinous cupolas, and is in the form of an urn with a cover.

Opposite to this is the Fontana delle Therme, otherwise call'd Pons Felix; in it is a basso relieve of white marble representing Moses striking the rock, which is adorn'd with camels, men, women, and children drinking; as large as life; a worke for the designe and vastnesse truly magnificent. The water is convey'd no less than 22 miles

in an aquæduct by Sixtus V. *ex agro Columna* by way of Præneste, as the inscription testifies. It gushes into three ample lavers rais'd about with stone, before which are placed two lions of a strange black stone very rare and antiqu. *Neere this are the Store-houscs for the Citty's corne, and over against it the Church of St. Susanna where were the gardens of Sallust. The faciatz of this church is noble, the soffito-within is guilded and full of pictures; especialy famous is that of *Susanna*, by Baldassa di Bologna. The tribunal of the high altar is of exquisite worke, from whose marble stepps you descend underground to the repository of divers Saints. The picture over this altar is the worke of Jacomo Siciliano. The foundation is for Bernadine Nunn.

S^a Maria della Vittoria presents us with the most ravishing front. In this Church was sung the *Te Deum* by Greg. XV. after the signal victory of the Emp^r at Prague; the standards then taken still hang up, and the impresse waving with this motto over the Pope's armes, *Extirpentur*. The high altar was much frequented for an image of the Virgine. There are some rare statues: there is Paule ravish'd into the third heaven, by Ger. Fiamengo, and some good pictures.

We went again to Dioclesian's Bathes, never satisfied with contemplating that immense pile, in building which 150,000 Christians were destin'd to labour 14 yeares and were then all murther'd. Here is a Monastery of Carthusians call'd S^a Maria degli Angeli, the architecture of M. Angelo, the cloister encompassing walls in an ample garden.

Mont Alto's Villa is enter'd by a stately gate of stone built on the Viminis, and is no other than a spacious parke full of fountaines, especialy that which salutes us at the front; stews for fish; the cypresse walkes are so beset with statues, inscriptions, reliefos, and other ancient marbles, that nothing can be more stately and solemn. The citron-trees are uncommonly large. In the Palace joining to it are innumerable collections of value.

In St. Agnes Church is a tribunal of antiqu Mosaïq, and on the altar a most rich Ciboriu of brass with a statue of St. Agnes in Oriental alabaster. The Church of S^a Constanza has a noble cupola. Here they shew'd us a stone ship borne on a column heretofore sacred

to Bacchus, as the relieveo intimates by the drunken emblemes and instruments wrought upon it. The altar is of rich porphyrie, as I remember. Looking back we had the intire view of the Via Pia downe to the two houses before the Monte Cavallo before mention'd, one of the most glorious sights for state and magnificence that any City can shew a traveller. We return'd by Porta Pia and the Via Salaria, neare Campo Scelerato, in whose gloomy caves the wanton vestals were heretofore im'ured alive.

Thence to Via Felix a straite and noble streete but very precipitous, till we came to the Fountaines of Lepidus, built at the abbutments of 4 stately wayes, making an exact Crosse of right angles; and at the Fountaines are as many cumbent figures of marble under very large niches of stone, the water pouring into huge basins. The Church of St. Carlo is a singular fabriq for neatnesse, of an oval designe, built of a new white stone; the columns are worth notice. Under it is another Church of a structure nothing lesse admirable.

S^a Maria Maggiore is on the Esquiline Mountaine, which gives it a most conspicuous face to the streete at a greate distance. The design is mix'd, partly antiq, partly moderne. Here they affirme that the Bl. Virgin appearing, shew'd where it should be built 300 years since. The first pavement is rare and antiq; so is the portico built by P. P. Eugenius II. The Ciborio is the worke of Paris Romano, and the Tribunal of Mosaic. We were shew'd in the Church a Concha of porphyrie wherein they say Patricius the founder lyes. This is one of the most famous of the 7 Roman Churches, and is in my opinion at least, after St. Peter's, the most magnificent. Above all, for incomparable glory and materials, ars the two Chapels of Sextus V. and Paulus V. That of Sextus was design'd by Dom. Fontana, in which are two rare greate statues, and some good pieces of painting; and here they pretended to shew some of the Holy Innocents bodyes slaine by Herod. That renoun'd tabernacle of metall gilt, sustained by 4 angels holding as many tapers, is placed on the altar. In this Chapel is the statue of Sextus in copper, with basse relieveo's of most of his famous acts in Parian marble. But that of P. Paulus opposite to this, is beyond all imagination glorious and beyond description. It is so inlaid with

achates and other most precious materials as to dazzle and confound the beholders. The basse relievo's are for the most part of pure snowy marble, intermixed with figures of molten brass double gilt on lapis lazuli. The altar is a most stupendous piece ; but most incomparable is the cupola, painted by Cavaliero Giuseppe Rheni and the present Baglioni, full of exquisite sculptures. There is a most sumptuous Sacristia ; and the piece over the altar was by the hand of St. Luke, if you will believe it. Paule V. hath here likewise built two other altars ; under the one lye the bones of the Apostle St. Mathias. In another Oratory is the statue of this Pope, and the head of the Congo Ambassador who was converted at Rome and dy'd here. In a third Chapel design'd by M. Angelo lyes the body of Platina, and the Cardinal of Toledo, Honorius III. Nicephorus IV. the ashes of St. Hierom, and many others. In that of Sextus V. before mentioned was shew'd us part of the crib in which Christ was swaddl'd at Bethlem ; there is also the statue of Pius V. Going out at the further end is the resurrection of Lazarus by a very rare hand. In the portico is this late inscription : "Cardinali Antonio Barberino Archipresbytero, aream marmoream quam Christianorum pietas exculpit, laborante sub Tyrannis ecclesia, ut esset loci sanctitate venerabilior, Franciscus Gualdus Arm. Eques S. Stephani, e suis aedibus hoc transtulit et ornavit 1632." Just before this portico stands a very sublime and stately Corinthian column of white marble, translated hither for an ornament from the old Temple of Peace built by Vespasian, having on the plinth of the capital the image of our Lady gilt on mettal ; at the pedestal runs a fountaine.— Going downe the hill we saw the Obelisq taken from the Mausoleum of Augustus, and erected in this place by Domenico Fontana, with this epigrapha : "Sixtus V. Pont. Max. obeliscum Aegypto advectum, Augusti in mausoleo dicatum, eversum deinde et in plures contractum partes, in via ad S. Rochum jacentem, in pristinam faciem restitutum, Salutiferæ Crucis felicius hic erigi jussit anno M.D.LXXXVIII. Pont. III."

At the foote of this hill is the Church of St. Pudentia, in which is a well fill'd with the blood and bones of several Martyrs, but grated over

with yron; it is visited by many Devote's. Neare this is the Church of her sister S. Praxedes, much frequented for the same reason. In a little obscure place cancell'd in with yron worke, is the Pillar or Stump at which they relate our Bl. Saviour was scourged, being full of bloody spotts, at which the devout sex are always rubbing their chaplets, and convey their kisses by a stick having a tassel on it. Here, besides a noble statue of St. Peter, is the tomb of the famous Cardinal Cajetan, an excellent piece. Here they hold that St. Peter sayd his first masse at Rome with the same altar and the stoue he kneeled on, he having been first lodged in this house, as they compute, about the 44th yeare of the incarnation. They also shew many reliques, or rather raggs, of his mantle. In the Church of St. Laurence in Panisperna is the Grid-iron on which that Martyr was broyl'd. St. Brigit is buried in this Church under a stately monument. In the front of the pile is the suffering of St. Laurence painted *a fresca* on the wall. The fabriq is nothing but Gotic. On the left is the Therma Novatii, and on the right Agrippina's Lavacrum.

14 Nov. We pass'd againe thro' the stately Capitol and Campo Vaccino towards the Amphitheatre of Vespasian, but were first stay'd to looke at Titus's triumphal Arch erected by the people of Rome in honour of his victory at Jerusalem; on the left-hand whereof he is represented drawne in a charriot with 4 horses abreast; on the right-hand, or side of the arch within, is sculptur'd in figures, or base-relievo as big as the life, and in one intire marble, the Arke of the Covenant, on which stands the seaven-branch'd candlestick describ'd in Leuiticus, as also the two Tables of the Law, all borne on men's shoulders by the bars, as they are describ'd in some of St. Hierom's Bibles; before this go many crown'd and laureated figures, and 12 Roman fasces, with sacred vessels. This much confirmed the idea I before had; and, for the light it gave to the Holy History, I caused my paynter Carlo to copy it exactly. The rest of the worke of the Arch is of the noblest, best understood compoſtis.

S^t Maria Nova is on the place where they told us Simon Magus fell out of the ayre at St. Peter's prayer, and burst himselfe in pieces.

on a flint. Neere this is a marble monument erected by the people of Rome in memory of the Pope's returne from Avignon.

Being now pass'd the ruines of *Meta sudante* (which stood before the Colosseum) provided to refresh the gladiators, we enter the mighty ruines of the Vespasian Amphitheatre, begun by Vespasian, and finished by that excellent prince Titus. It is 830 Roman palmes in length (*i. e.* 130 paces), 90 in breadth at the area, with caves for the wild beasts which us'd to be baited by men instead of doggs; the whole oval peripheria 2888 $\frac{1}{2}$ palmes, and capable of containing 87,000 spectators with ease and all accomodation: the 3 rowes of circles are yet entire; the first was for the senators, the middle for the nobility, the third for the people. At the dedication of this place were 5000 wild beasts slain in 3 months during which the feast lasted, to the expence of 10 millions of geld. It is built of Tiburtine stone, a vast height, with the 5 orders of architecture, by 30,000 captive Jewes. It is, without, of a perfect circle, and was once adorn'd thick with statues, and remained intire till of late that some of the stones were carried away to repair the City walls, and build the Farnesian Palace. That which still appeares most admirable is, the contrivance of the porticos, vaults, and staires, with the excessive altitude, which well deserves this distich of the poet:

“Omnis Cæsario cedat labor Amphitheatro,
Unum pro cunctis fama loquatur opus.”

Neere it is a small chapell call'd S^a Maria della Pieta nel Colisseo, which is erected on the steps or stages very lofty at one of its sides or ranges within, and where there lives only a melancholy hermit. I ascended to the very top of it with wonderfull admiration.

The Arch of Constantine the Great is close by the Meta sudante before mentioned, at the beginning of the Via Appia on one side of Monte Celio, and is perfectly intire, erected by the people in memory of his victory over Maxentius at the Pons Milius, now Ponte Mole. In the front is this inscription:

IMP. CAES. FL. CONSTANTINO MAXIMO
P. F. AVGVSTO S. P. Q. R.
QVOD INSTINCTV. DIVINITATIS MENTIS
MAGNITVDO CVM EXERCITV SVO
ETIAM DB TYRANNO QVAM DE OMNI EIVS

PAVIMENTO TEMPORE FESTIS
 REMPV DICAM TIEVS EST ARMIS
 ARCVM TRIUMPHIS IN SIGNVM DICAVI

Hence we went to St. Gregorio in Monte Celio, where are many privileged altars, and there they shew'd us an arme of that Saint and other reliques. Before this Church stands a very noble portico.

17. I walked to Villa Borghesi, a house and ample garden on Mons Pincius, yet somewhat without the Citty walls, circumscrib'd by another wall full of small turrets and banqueting-houses, which makes it appeare at a distance like a little towne. Within it is an elysium of delight, having in the centre a noble Palace; but the enterance of the garden presents us with a very glorious fabrick or rather fore-case adorn'd with divers excellente marble statu's. This garden abounded with all sorts of delicious fruit and exotique simples, fountaines of sundry inventions, groves, and small rivulets. There is also adjoining to it a vivarium of estriges, peacockes, swanns, cranes, &c. and divers strange beasts, deare, and hares. The grotto is very rare, and represents among other devices artificial raine, and sundry shapes of vessels, flowers, &c. which is effected by changing the heads of the fountaines. The groves are of cypresse, laurell, pine, myrtel, olive, &c. The 4 sphinxes are very antique and worthy observation. To this is a volary full of curious birds. The house is square, with turrets from which the prospect is excellent towards Rome and the environing hills, covered as they now are with snow, w^{ch} indeed commonly continues even a great part of the sum'ur, affording great refreshment. Round the house is a balustre of white marble, with frequent jettos of water, and adorn'd with a multitude of statu's. The walls of the house are cover'd with antiquic incrustations of history, as that of Curtius, the Rape of Europa, Leda, &c. The cornices above consist of frutages and festoons, between w^{ch} are niches furnish'd with statu's, w^{ch} order is observ'd to the very roofe. In the ledge at the entry are divers good statu's of emperours, &c. with two pieces of field artillery upon carriages (a mode much practised in Italy before the great men's houses), which they look on as a piece of state more than defence. In the first hall within are the 12 Roman Emperours of excellent marble: 'twixt them stand porphyry, cyprinus, and other

precious stones of vast height and magnitude, with urnes of Oriental alabaster. Tables of Pietra-Carminea. Here is that renown'd Diana w^{ch} Pompey worshipp'd, the most incomparable Senecca, of touch bleeding in an huge vase of porphyrie, resembling the dropps of his blood; the so famous gladiator, and the Hermaphrodite upon a quilt of stone. The new piece of Daphne, and David, of Cavaliero Bernini, is observable for the pure whiteness of the stone, and the art of the statuary w^{ch} is stupendious. There are a multitude of rare pictures of infinite value by the best masters; huge tables of porphyrie, and two exquisitely-wrought vases of the same. In another chamber are divers sorts of instruments of musiq: amongst other toyes that of a satyre with so artificialy express'd an human voice, with the motion of eyes and head, that it might easily affright one who was not prepared for that most extravagant sight. They shew'd us also a chayre w^{ch} catches any who sits downe in it so as not to be able to stirr out, by certaine springs concealed in the armes and back thereoff, which at sitting downe surprizes a man on the suddaine, locking him in by the armes and thighs, after a true treacherous Italian guise. The perspective is considerable, compos'd by the position of looking-glasses, which render a strange multiplication of things resembling divers most richly-furnish'd roomes. Here stands a rare clock of German worke; in a word, nothing but what is magnificent is to be seen in this paradise.

The next day I went to the Vatican, where in the morning I saw the ceremony of Pamfilio the Pope's nephew receiving a Cardinal's hat; this was the first time I had seen his holiness *in pontificalibus*. After the Cardinals and Princes had met in the Consistory, the ceremony was in the Pope's Chapell, where he was at the altar invested with most pompous rites.

17 Nov. I visited St. Peter's, that most stupendious and incomparable Basilica, far surpassing any now extant in the world, and probly Solomon's Temple excepted, any that was ever built. The largeness of the piazza before the portico is worth observing, because it affords a noble prospect of the Church, not crowded up as for the most part in the cities in other places where greate churches are erected. In this is a fountain out of which gushes a river rather than a streame,

which ascending a good height breakes open a round embosse of marble into millions of pearles that fall into the adjacent basons with greate noise; I esteeme this one of the goodliest fountaines I ever saw.

Next is the Obelisk transported out of Egypt and dedicated by Octavius Augustus to Julius Cæsar, whose ashes it formerly bore on the sumit; but being since overturn'd by the Barbarians, was re-erected with vast cost and a most stupendious invention by Domenico Fontana, architect to Sixtus V. The Obelisk consists of one intire square stone without hieroglyphic, in height 72 foote, but comprehending the base and all 'tis 103 foote high. It rests on 4 lyons of gilded copper. You may see through the base of the Obelisk and plinth of the pedestal. Upon two faces of the Obelisk is engraven:

DIVO CAES. DIVI
IVLII F. AVGYSTO.
TI. CAES. DIVI. AVG.
F. AVGYST. SACRVM.

It now beares on the top a crosse in which 'tis sayd that Sixtus V. inclosed some of the holy wood; and under it is to be read by good eyes:

SANCTISSIMAE CRVCI
SIXTVS V. PONT. MAX.
CONSECRAVIT.
E PRIORE SEDDE AVVL SVM
ET CAES. AVG. AC TIE.
I. L. ABLATVM M. D. LXXXVI.

On the four faces of the base below:

1. CHRISTVS VINCIT.
CHRISTVS REGNAT.
CHRISTVS IMPERAT.
CHRISTVS AB OMNI MALO
PLEBEI SVAM DEFENDAT.
2. SIXTVS V. PONT. MAX.
OBELISCVM VATICANVM DIB. GENTIVM
IMPIC CRVLO DICATVM
AD APOTOLORVM LIMINA
OPEROSO LABORE TRANSTVLIT
AN. M. D. LXXCVI. PONT. II.
ECCE CRVX DOMINI
EVGITE PARTIB.
ADVERSA.
VINCIT LEO
DE TRIBU INDIA.
SIXTVS V. PONT. MAX.
CRVCI INVICTA.

OBELISCVM VATICANVM
 AB IMPIA SUPERSTITIONE
 EXPIATVM IUSTIVS
 ET FELICIVS CONSECHAVIT
 AN. M.D.LXXXVI. PONT. II.

A little lower:

DOMINICVS FONTANA EX FAGOMILAGRI NOVOCOMENSIS TRANSTVLIT ET EREXIT.

It is reported to have taken a year in erecting, to have cost 37,975 crowns, the labor of 907 men and 75 horses; it was the first of the 4 Egyptian Obelisks set up at Rome, and one of the 42 brought to the City out of Egypt, set up in several places, but thrown down by the Goths, Barbarians, and Earthquakes. See Platina in Vita Pontiff. p. 315.—Some coaches stood before the stepps of the ascent, whereof one belonging to Card^r. Medici had all the metall worke of massy silver; *viz.* the bow behind and other places. The coaches at Rome, as well as cover'd wagons w^{ch} are also much in use, are generally the richest and largest I ever saw. Before the faciata of the Church is an ample pavement. The Church was first begun by St. Anacletus when rather a Chapel, on a foundation as they give out of Constantine the Great, who in honour of the Apostles carried 12 baskets full of sand to the work. After him Julius II. tooke it in hand, to which all his successors have contributed more or less.

The front is suppos'd to be the largest and best studied piece of architecture in the world; to this we went up by 4 stepps of marble. The first entrance is supported by huge pilasters; the volto within is the richest in the world, overlayd with gold. Between the 5 large end-portes are columns of enormous height and compass, with as many gates of braisse the worke and sculpture of Pollajuolo the Florentine, full of cast figures and histories in a deepe reliego. Over this runs a terrace of like amplitude and ornament, where the Pope at solemn times bestowes his benediction on the vulgar. On each side of this portico are two campaniles, or towers, whereof there was but one perfected, of admirable art. On the top of all runns a balustrade w^{ch} edges it quite round, and upon this at equal distances are Christ and the 12 Disciples of gigantic size and stature, yet below shewing no greater than the life. Entring the Church, admirable is the bredth of the vales, or roofs w^{ch} is all carv'd with foliage and roses overlayd w^{ch} gold in nature of a deepe bass reliego, & l' antiqu. The nave, or body,

is in forme of a crosse, whereof the foot part is the longest; and at the internum of the traueant rises y^e cupola, w^{ch} being all of stone and of prodigious height is more in compass than y^e of the Pantheon (w^{ch} was the largest amongst the old Romans, and is yet intire) or any other in y^e world. The inside or concave is cover'd wth most exquisite Mosaik representing the Celestial Hierarchy, by Giuseppe d'Arpino, full of starrs of gold; the convex or outside expa'd to y^e airo, is cover'd wth lead wth great ribbs of metall double guilt (as are also the ten other lesser cupolas, for no fewer adorn this glorious structure) which gives a great and admirable splendor in all parts of y^e Citty. On the summit of this is fix'd a brasen globe gilt, capable of receiving 35 persons. This I entered and engrav'd my name amongst other travellers. Lastly is the crosse, the access to w^{ch} is betweene the leaden covering and the stone convex or arch-worke, a most truly astonishing piece of art. On the battlements of the Church, also all overlayd wth lead and marble, you would imagine yourself in a town, so many are the cupolas, pinnacles, towers, jettings, and not a few houses inhabited by men who dwell there, and have enough to do to looke after the vust reparations wth continually employ them.

We descended into the body of the Church, which is full of collaterall Chapells and large Oratories, most of them exceeding the size of ordinary Churches; but the principal are fowre incrusted with most precious marbles and stones of various colours, adorn'd with an infinity of statues, pictures, stately altars, and innumerable reliques. The altar-piece of St. Michael being of Mosaik I could not passe without particular note, as one of the best of that kind. The Chapel of Gregory XIII. where he is buried, is most splendid. Under the cupola, and in y^e center of the Church, stands the high altar, consecrated first by Clement VIII. adorn'd by Paul V. and lately cover'd by Pope Urban VIII. with that stupendous canopy of Corinthian brass which heretofore was brought from the Pantheon; it consists of 4 wreath'd columns partly channel'd and incrust'd with vines, on which hang little putti, birds and bees (the arms of the Barberini), suspensting a baldaching of the same metall. The 4 columns weigh as hundred and ten thousand pounds, all over richly gilt; this with the pillars, tall, crowne, and statues about it, form a thing of gloriouse magnitudo,

and magnificence, as is beyond all that man's industry has produced of the kind : it is the work of Bernini, a Florentine sculptor, architect, painter, and poet, who, a little before my coming to the City, gave a publick Opera (for so they call shews of that kind) wherein he painted the scenes, cut the statues, invented the engines, compos'd the musiq, wrot the comedy, and built the theatre. Opposite to either of these pillars, under those niches which with their columns support the weighty cupola, are placed 4 exquisite statues of Parian marble, to which are 4 altars ; that of St. Veronica made by Fra. Mochi, has over it the Reliquary, where they shew'd us the miraculous Sudarium indued wth the picture of o' Saviour's face, with this inscription : " Salvatoris imaginem Veronice. Sudario excepta ut loci maiestas decenter custodiret, Urbanus VIII. Pont. Max. Marmoreum signum et Altare addidit, Conditorium extruxit et ornavit."

Right against this is y^t of Longinus, of a Colossean magnitude, also by Bernini, and over him the Conservatory of y^e iron lance inserted in a most precious chrystral, with this epigraph : " Longini Lanceam quam Iunonis Urbanus VIII. a Basagete Turcarum Tyranno accepit, Urbanus VIII. statua apposita, et Sacello substructo, in exornatum Conditorium transtulit."

The third Chapel has over the altar the statue of our countrywoman St. Holena the mother of Constantine the Great, the worke of Boggi, an excellent sculptor ; and here is preserved a greate piece of the pretended wood of the holy crosse, which she is said to have first detected miraculously in the Holy Land. It was placed here by the late Pope with this inscription : " Partem Crucis quam Helena Imperatrix e Calvaria in Iudeam adduxit, Urbanus VIII. Pont. Max. e Sissorianâ Basilica deinceps, additis ora et statua, hic in Vaticano collocavit."

The 4th hath over the altar, and opposite to that of St. Veronica, the statue of St. Andrew, the worke of Flamingo, admirable above all the others ; above is preserv'd the head of y^t Apostle richly inchas'd. Now, and then this excellent sculptor died mad to see his statue placed in so disadvantageous light by Bernini the chiefe architect, who found himself outdone by this artist. The inscription over it is this :

" Hanc statuam super quo Pius II. ex Achaja in Vaticanum asportandum censuit, Urbanus VIII. novis hic ornamentis decoratum, sacrisq' statuae, ac monumentorum vestrum, subiicit."

The Reliques shew'd and kept in this Church are without number; as are also the precious vessels of gold, silver, and gems, with the vestments and services to be seene in the Sacristy, which they shew'd us. Under the high altar is an ample grott inlaid with Pietra Com'essa, wherein half of the bodies of St. Peter and St. Paul are preserv'd; before hang divers greate lamps of the richest plate burning continually. About this and contiguous to the altar runs a balustrade in forme of a theatre, of black marble. Towards the left as you goe out of the Church by the portico, a little beneath the high altar is an old brassee statue of St. Peter sitting; under the soles of whose feete many devout persons rub their heads and touch their chaplets. This was formerly cast from a statue of Jupiter Capitolinus. In another place stands a columne grated about wth yron, whereon they report that our Bl. Saviour was often wont to leane as he preached in the Temple. In the work of the reliquary under the cupola there are 8 wreathed columns wth were brought from the Temple of Solomon. In another Chapell they shew'd us the chayre of St. Peter, or as they name it, the Apostolical Throne; but amongst all the Chapells the one most glorious has for an altar-piece a Madona bearing a dead Christ on her knees in white marble, the work of M. Angelo. At the upper end of the Cathedral are several stately monuments, especially that of Urban VIII. Round the cupola and in many other places in the Church are confession-seates for all languages, Hebrew, Greek, Latin, Spanish, Italian, French, English, Irish, Welsh, Sclavonian, Dutch, &c. as it is written on their freeze in golden capitals, and there are still at confessions some of all nations. Towards the lower end of the Church and on the side of a vast pillar sustaining a weighty roose, is the depositum and statue of the Countess Matilda, a rare piece, wth basso-relievoes about it of white marble, the worke of Bernini. Here are also those of Sextus IV. and Paulus III. &c. Amongst the exquisite pieces in this sumptuous fabriq is that of the Ship with St. Peter held up from sinking by o^r Saviour; the emblems about it are the Mosaic of the famous Giotto, who restord and made it perfect after it had been defaced by the Barbarians. Nor is the pavement under the cupola to be passed over without observation, which with the rest of the body and walls of the whole Church, are all inlaid with the vases of

Pietra Com'essa, in the most splendid colours of polish'd marbles, achats, serpentine, porphyry, calcedone, &c. wholy incrusted to y^e very roose. Coming out by the portico at which we entred, we were shew'd the Porto Santo, never opened but at the year of jubilee. This glorious foundation hath belonging to it 30 Canons, 36 Beneficiates, 28 Clerks benefic'd; with inumerable Chaplaines, &c. a Cardinal being always Arch-Priest; the present Cardinal was Franc. Barberini, who also stiled himself Protector of the English, to whom he was indeede very courteous.

20 Nov. I went to visite that ancient See and Cathedral of St. John de Laterana, and the holy places thereabout. This is a Church of extraordinary devotion, though for outward forme not comparable to St. Peter's, being of Gotiq ordonance. Before we went into the Cathedrai, the Baptisterie of St. John Baptist presented it selfe, being formerly parte of the Greate Constantine's Palace, and as it is sayd, his chamber where by St. Silvester he was made a Christian; it is octagonal, having before the entrance 8 faire pillars of rich porphyrie, each of one intre piece, their capitalls of divers orders supporting lesser columnes of white marble, and these supporting a noble cupola, the moulding whereof is excellently wrought. Women are prohibited from entering this chamber, for the malice of Herodias who caus'd him to loose his head. Here are deposited several sacred reliques of St. James, Mary Magdalene, St. Matthew, &c. and two goodly pictures. Another Chapel or Oratory neere it is called St. John the Evangelist, well adorn'd w^m marbles and tables, especially those of Cavalier Giuseppe, and of Tempesta, in fresco. We went hence into another called St. Venantius, in which is a Tribunal all of Mosaiq in figures of Popes; here is also an altar of the Madona much visited, and divers Selavonish Saints, companions of Pope John IV. The portico of the Church is built of materials brought from Pontius Pilate's house in Jerusalem.

The next sight which attracted our attention was a wonderful conourse of people at their devotions before a place call'd Scala Sancta, to which is built a noble front. Entering the portico, we saw those large marble staires, 28 in number, which are never ascended but on the knees, some lip-devotion being us'd on every step, on which you

may perceive divers red specks of blood under a grate which they affirms to have been drops of o' Bl. Saviour at the time he was so basely mis-us'd by Herod's sonldiers, for these stayres are reported to have been translated hitlier from his Palace in Jerusalem. At the top of these stayres is a Chapell, wherat they enter, but we could not be permitted, by gates of marble, being the same our Saviour passed when he went out of Herod's house. This they name the *Sanctum Sanctorum*, and over it we read this epigraph: *Non est in toto sanctior orbe locus.* Here, through a grate, we saw that picture of Christ paynted as they say by St. Luke to the life. Descending agaiu, we saw before the Church the Obelisc, which is indeed most worthy of admiration. It formerly lay in the Circo Maximo, and was erected here by Sixtus V. in 1587, being 112 foote in height without the base or pedestal; at y^e foote 9½ one way and 8 the other. This pillar was first brought from Thebes at the utmost confines of Egypt, to Alexandria, from thence to Constantinople, thence to Rome, and is said by Ammianus Marcellinus to have been dedicated to Ramises King of Egypt. It was transferr'd to this City by Constantine the sonne of the Great, and is full of hieroglyphics, serpents, men, owles, falcons, oxen, instruments, &c. containing (as Father Kercher the Jesuit will shortly tell us in a book which he is ready to publish) all the recondite and abstruse learning of that people. The vessel, gally, or floate y^e brought it to Rome so many hundred leagues mast needs have been of wonderful bigness and strange fabriq. The stone is one and intire, and [having been thrown down] was erected by the famous Dom. Fontana for that magnificent Pope Sixtus V. as the rest were; 'tis now cratcked in many places, but solidly joyn'd. The Obeliak is thus inscrib'd at the several facintas :

Fl. Constantinus Augustus, Constantini Augusti F. Obeliscum a patre suo motum diuq; Alexandria iacentem trecentorum remigium impostum navi mirandi vastitatis per mare Tiberimq; magis molibus Romam convectum in Circo Max. ponendum S. P. Q. R. D. D.

On the second square:

Fl. Constantinus Max. Aug. Christiane fidei Vindex & Auctor. Obeliscum ab Egyptio Rego impuro yoto Soli dictum sedibus avulsum regi per Nilum

transfer Alexandriam ut novam Romanam ab se tunc conditam eo decoraret monumento.

On the third :

Sixtus V. Pontifex Max: Obeliscum hunc specie eximia temporum calamitate fractum, Circi Maximi ruinis humo limoq; altè demersum, multa impensa extraxis, hunc in locum magno labore transtulit, formæq; pristinæ accuratè vestitum, Crucis invictissimæ diecavit anno M.D.LXXXVIII. Pont. IIII.

On the fourth :

Constantinus per Crucem Victor à Silvestro hic baptisatus Crucis gloriæ propagavit.

Leaving this wonderful monument (before which is a stately publiq; fontaine, wth a statue of St. John in the middle of it) we visited his Holyness's Palace, being a little upon the left hand, the designe of Fontana architect to Sixtus V.; this I take to be one of the best Palaces in Rome; but not staying, we enterd the Church of St. John de Lateran, w^{ch} is properly the Cathedral of the Roman See, as I learn'd by these verses engraven upon the architrave of the portico :

Dogmate Papali datur, et simul Imperiali
 Quod simi cunctarum mater caput Ecclesiariū
 Hinc Salvatoris celestia regna datoris
 Nomine sanxerunt, cum cuncta peracta fuerunt;
 Sic vos ex toto conversi supplice voto
 Nostra quod hæc ædes tibi Christe sit inclyta sedes.

Tis call'd *Lateran* from a noble family dwelling it seems hereabouts, on Mons Cælius. The Church is Gotiq, and hath a stately tribunal; the paintings are of Pietro Pisano. It was the first Church y^r was consecrated with the ceremonies now introduc'd; and where altars of stone supplied those of wood, heretofore in use and made like large chests for the easier removal in times of persecution, such an altar is still the greate one here preserved, as being that on which (they hold) St. Peter celebrated mæsse at Rome, for which reason none but the Pope may now presume to make that use of it. The pavement is of all sorts of precious marbles, and so are the walles to a great height, over which is painted a fresco with the life and acts of Constantine the Great, by most excellent masters. The organs are rare, supported

by 4 columns. The buffet is all richly gilded and full of pictures. Opposite to the porte is an altar of exquisite architecture with a tabernacle on it all of precious stones, the worke of Targoni; on this is a Coena of plate, the invention of Curtius Vanni, of exceeding value; the tables hanging over it are of Giuseppe d'Arpino. About this are 4 excellent columnes transported out of Asia by the Emperor Titus, of brass double gilt, about 12 foote in height; the walls betweene them are incrusted wth marble and set with statuē in niches, the vacuum reported to be fill'd with holy earth wth St. Helena sent from Jerusalem to her sonn Constantine, who set these pillars where they now stand. At one side of this is an Oratory full of rare paintings and monuments, especially thosse of the great Connestable Colonna. Out of this we came into the Sacristia, full of good pictures of Albert and others. At the end of the Church is a flat stone supported by 4 pillars which they affirme to have beene the exact height of our Bl. Saviour, which they say never fitted any mortal man that tried it, but he was either taller or shorter: two columnes of the vaile of the Temple which rent at his passion; the stone on which they threw lots for his seamelorse vesture, and the pillar on which the cock crew'd after Peter's denial; and, to omit no fine thing, the just length of the Virgin Mary's foote as it seems her shoemaker affirm'd. Here is a most sumptuous crosse beset with precious stones, containing some of the very wood of the holy crosse itselfe; with many other things of this sort. Here are many most magnificent monuments, especiaiy those of St. Helen of porphyrie; Cardinal Farneze; Martine the first of copper. The pictures of *Mary Magdalen*, *Martine V.*, *Laurent. Valla*, &c. are of Gaetano; the *Nunciata*, design'd by M. Angelo; and the *greate Crucifix* of Sermoneta. In a Chapel at one end of the porch is a statue of Henry IV. of France in brasse, standing in a darke hole, and so has don many yeares; perhaps from not believing him a thorough protestant. The 2 famous Ecumenical Councils were celebrated in this Church by Pope Simachus, Martin the first, Stephen, &c.

Leaving this venerable Church (for in truth it has a cermine majesty in it) we pass'd through a faire and large Hospital of good architecture, having some inscriptions put up by Barberini, the late Pope's nephew. We then went by St. Sylvia, where is a noble statue of St. Gregory P.

began by M. Angelo, a St. Andrewe, and the Bath of St. Cecilia. In this Church are some rare paintings, especialy that story on the wall of Guido Rheni.—Thence to St. Giovanni e Paula, where the Friars are reported to be greate chymists. The quire, roofe and paintings in the Tribuna are excellent.—Descending the Mons Cælius we come against the vestiges of the Palazzo Maggiore, heretofore the Golden House of Nero; now nothing but an heape of vast and confused ruines, to shew what time and the vicissitude of human things dos change from the most glorious and magnificent to the most deformed and confused.—We next went into St. Sebastian's Church, which has an handsome front. We then pass'd by the place where Romulus and Remus were taken up by Faustulas; the Forum Romanum; and so by the edge of the Mons Palatinus, where we were shew'd the ruines of Pompey's house, and the Church of St. Anacleetus; and so into the Circus Maximus, heretofore capable of containing an hundred and sixty thousand spectators, but now all one entire heape of rubbish, part of it converted into a garden of pot-herbs. We concluded this evening with hearing the rare voices and musiq at the Chiesa Nova.

21 Nov. I was carried to see a great virtuoso Cavaliero Pozzo, who shew'd us a rare collection of all kinds of antiquities, and a choice library, over which are the effigies of most of our late men of polite literature. He had a great collection of the antiq bassi-relievos about Rome, w^{ch} this curious man had caus'd to be design'd in several folios; many fine medaills; the stone which Pliny calls Enhydrus; it had plainly in it the quantity of halfe a spoonfull of water, of a yellow pebble colour, of the bigness of a walnut. A stone in a ring without foiles, paler than an amethyst, which yet he affirm'd to be the true carbuncle, and harder than a diamond; 'twas set in a ring, without foile or any thing at the bottom, so as it was transparent, of a greenish yellow, more lustrous than a diamond. He had very pretty things painted on crimson velvet, design'd in black, and shaded and heighton'd with white, set in frames; also a number of choice designs and drawings.

Hence we walked to the *Suburra* and *Erarium Saturni*, where yet remaine some ruines and an inscription. From thence to St. Pietro in Monti, one of the 7 Churches on the Esquiline, an old and much fre-

quainted place of greate devotion for the relicks there, especially the bodies of the seaven Maccabean brethren which lye under the alter. On the wall is a St. Sebastian of Mosaic, after the Greeke manner: but w^t I chiefly reguarded was that noble sepulchre of Pope Julius II. the worke of M. Angelo, with that never sufficiently to be admir'd statue of Moses in white marble, and those of *Vita Contemplativa* and *Activa* by the same incomparable hand. To this Church belongs a Monastery, in the Court of whose Cloisters grow two tall and very stately palme-trees. Behind these are the Bathes of Titus with prodigious receptacles for water, which the vulgar call the *Setti Sali*, now all in heapes.

23 Nov. There was the solemne and greatest ceremony of all the Ecclesiastical States, viz. the procession of the Pope (Innocent X.) to St. John de Lateran. Standing on the stepps of Ara Celi, neere the Capitol, I saw it passe in this manner:—First went a guard of Swissers to make way, and divers of the ayant guard of horse carrying lances. Next follow'd those who carried the robes of the Cardinals, two and two; then the Cardinals Mace-bearers; the Caudatari on mules; the Masters of their Horse; the Pope's Barber, Taylor, Baker, Gardner, and other domestic Officers, all on horseback in rich liveries; the Squires belonging to the guard; 5 men in rich liveries led 5 noble Neapolitan horses white as snow cover'd to the ground with trappings richly embroidered, which is a service paid by the King of Spaine for the kingdomes of Naplēs and Sicily, pretended feudatorys to the Pope; 3 mules of exquisite beauty and price, trapp'd in crimson velvet: 3 rich litters with mules, the litters empty; the Master of the Horse alone, with his Squires; 5 Trumpeters; the Amerieri extra muros; the Fiscale and Consistorial Advocates; Capellani, Camerieri de honore, Cubiculari and Chamberlaines, called Secreti; 4 other Camerieri with 4 cappa of the dignity Pontifical, which were Cardinals' batts carried on staves; 4 Trumpets; after them a number of noble Romans and gentlemen of quality very rich, follow'd by innumerable Staffieri and Pages, the Secretaries of the Chancellaria, Abbreviatori Acoliti in their long robes and on mules; Auditori di Rota; the Deane of the Rota and Master of the sacred Palace on mules, with grave but rich foot clothes, and in the

episcopal hatts; then went more of the Roman and other Nobility and Courtiers, wth divers Pages in most rich liveries on horseback; 14 Drums belonging to the Capitol; the Marshalls with their staves; the 2 Sudices; the Conservators of the Citty in robes of crimson damask; the Knight Confalonier and Prior of the R. R. in velvet tocques; 6 of his holynesses Mace-bearers; then the Captaine or Governor of the Castle of St. Angelo upon a brave prancer; the Governor of the Citty; on both sides of these 2 long ranks of Swissers; the Masters of the Ceremonies; the Crosse-bearer on horseback, wth two Priests at each hand on foote; Pages, Footmen, and Guards in abundance; then came the Pope himselfe, carried in a litter or rather open chaire of crimson velvet richly embrodred, and borne by two stately mules; as he went he held up two singers, blessing the multitude who were on their knees or looking out of their windows and houses, wth loud *viva's* and acclamations of felicity to their new Prince. This was follow'd by the Master of his Chamber, Cupp-bearer, Secretary, and Physitian; then came the Cardinal Bishops, Cardinal Priests, Cardinal Deacons, Patriarchs, Archbishops, and Bishops, all in their several and distinct habits, some in red, others in greene flat hatts wth tassells, all on gallant mules richly trapp'd wth velvet, and lead by their servants in great state and multitudes; then came the Apostolical Protonotari, Auditor, Treasurer, and Referendaries; lastly, the Trumpets of the reare-guard, 2 Pages of Armes in helmets wth feathers and carrying launces; 2 Captaines; the Pontifical Standard of the Church: the two Alfieri or Cornets of the Pope's Light Horse, who all follow'd in armor and carrying launces; which, with innumerable rich coaches, litters, and people, made up the procession. What they did at St. John di Laterano I could not see by reason of the prodigious crowd; so I spent most of the day in viewing the two triumphal arches which had been purposely erected a few days before, and till now covered; the one by the Duke of Parma in the Foro Romano, the other by the Jewes in the Capitol, wth flattering inscriptions. They were of excellent architecture, decorated with statues and abundance of ornaments proper for y^e occasion, since they were but temporary, and made up of boards, cloath, &c. painted and paund on the outside, but as to outward appearance solid and very

stately. The night ended w^t fire-works. That w^t I saw was that which was built before the Spanish Ambass^m house in the Piazza del Trinita, and another of the French. The first appear'd to be a mighty rock, bearing the Pope's armes, a dragon, and divers figures, which being set on fire by one who flung a roquet at it, tooke fire immediately, yet preserving the figure both of y^e rock and statues a very long time, insomuch as it was deemed ten thousand reports of squibbs and crackers spent themselves in order. That before the French Ambass^m Palace was a Diana drawne in a chariot by her doggs, with abundance of other figures as large as y^e life, which plaied w^t fire in the same manner. In the meane time the windows of the whole Citty were set with tapers put into lanterns or sconces of several colour'd oyl'd paper, that the wind might not annoy them; this render'd a most glorious shew. Besides these there were at least 20 other fire-workes of vast charge and rare art for their invention besor diverse Ambass^m, Princes, and Cardinals Palaces, especialy that on the Castle of St. Angelo, being a pyramid of lights, of greate height, fastned to y^e ropes and cables w^t support the standard-pole. The streetes were this night as light as day, full of bonfires, canon roaring, musiq playing, fountaines running wine, in all excesse of joy and triumph.

24 Nov. I went to the Jesuites Colledge againe, the front wheroff gives place to few for its architecture, most of its ornaments being of rich marble. It has within a noble Portico and Court, sustain'd by stately columnes, as is the Corridor over the Portico, at the sides of which are the Scholes for the Arts and Sciences, which are here taught as at the University. Herc I heard Father Athanasius Kercher upon a part of Euclid, w^t he expounded. To this joynes a glorious and ample Church for y^e Students; a second is not fully finish'd; and there are two noble Libraries where I was shew'd that famous wit and historian Famiano Strada. Hence we went to the house of Hippolito Vitellesco (afterwards Bibliothecary of y^e Vatican Library) who shew'd us one of the best collections of Statues in Roine, to which he frequently talkes as if they were living, pronouncing now and then orations, contences, and vespers, sometimes kissing and embracing them. He has an Head of Bruto scarr'd in the face by order of the Senate for killing Julius, that he might

estee'm'd. Also a Minerva and others of greate value. This gentleman had long since purchased land in the kingdome of Naples, in hope by digging y^e ground to find more statu's; which it seemes so far succeeded as to be much more worth than y^e purchase. We spent the evening at the Chiesa Nova, where was excellent musiq; but before that began the courteous Fathers led me into a nobly-furnish'd Library contiguous to their most beautifull Convent.

28. I went to see the garder and house of the Aldobrandini, now Cardinal Borghese's. This palace is, for architecture, magnificence, pompe and state, one of the most considerable about the City. It has 4 fronts, and a noble Piazza before it. Within the Court, under arches supported by marble columns, are many excellent statu's. Ascending the stayres there is a rare figure of Diana of white marble. The St. Sebastian and Hermaphrodite are of stupendious art. For paintings, our Saviour's head by Corregio; several pieces of Raphael, some of which are small; some of Bassano Veroneze; the *Leda*; and two admirable *Venus's*, are of Titian's pensill; so is the *Psyche and Cupid*; the head of St. John borne by Herodias; two heads of Albert Durer, very exquisite. We were shewn here a fine cabinet and tables of Florenee-worke in stone. In the garden are many fine fountaines, the walls cover'd with citron-trees, which being rarely spread invest the stone worke intirely; and towards the streete, at a back gate, the Port is so handsomely cloath'd with ivy as much pleas'd me. About this Palace are many noble antiqu bassi reliivi, two especialy are placed on the ground, representing armor and other military furniture of the Romans; beside these stand about the garden numerous rare statu's, altars, and urnes. Above all, for antiquity and curiositie (as being the onely rarity of that nature now knowne to remaine) is that piece of old Roman peynting representing the Roman Sponsalia, or celebration of their marriage, judged to be 1400 yeares old, yet are the colours very lively and the designe very intire, tho' found deepe in the ground. For this murrell of painting's sake onely 'tis sayd that Borghesi purchased the house, because this being on a wall in a kind of banqueting-house in y^e same could not be removed, but passe with the inheritance.

29 Nov. I a second time visited the Medicean Palace, being neare my lodging, the more exactly to have a view of the noble collections y' adorne it, especialy the bass reliev and antiq frezes inserted about the stone worke of the house. The Saturne of mettal standing in the portico is a rare piece; so is the Jupiter and Apollo in the hall. We were now led into those roomes above we could not see before, full of incomparable statues and antiquities; above all, and happily preferable to any in the world, are the two Wrestlers, for the inextricable mixture wth each others armes and legges is stupendious. In the greate chamber is the Gladiator whetting a knife; but the Venus is without parallel, being the master-piece of whose name you see graven under it in old Greeke characters; nothing in sculpture ever approached this miracle of art. To this add Marcius, Ganymede, a little Apollo playing on a pipe; some reliev incrusted on the palace walls; and an antiq vase of marble neare 6 foote high. Among the pictures may be mentioned the *Magdalen* and *St. Peter weeping*. I passe over the cabinets and tables of Pietra Com'essa, being the proper invention of the Florentines. In one of the chambers is a whimsical chayre, which folded into so many varieties as to turn into a bed, a bolster, a table, or a couch. I had another walk in the garden, where are two huge vase's or bathes of stone.

I went farther up the hill to the Pope's Palace at Monte Cavallo, where I now saw the garden more exactly, and found it to be one of the most magnificent and pleasant in Rome. I am told the gardener is annualy alowed 2000 scudi for the keeping it. Here I observ'd hedges of myrtle above a man's height; others of laurell, oranges, nay of ivy and juniper; the close walks, and rustic grotto; a crypta, of which the laver or basin is of one vast, intire, antiq porphyrie, and below this flows a plentifull cascade; the steppa of the grotto and the roofs being of rich Mosaiq. Here are hydraulic organs, and a fish-pond in an ample bath. From hence we went to taste some rare Greco, and so home.

Being now pretty weary of continual walking, I kept within, for the most part, till the 8th December, and during this time I enterained one Sign^r Alessandro, who gave me some lessons on the theorie.

The next excursion was over the Tiber, which I crossed in a ferry-boate, to see the Palazzo di Ghisi, standing in Transtevere, fairely built, but famous onely for the painting *a fresco* on the volto of the portico towards the garden; the story is the *Amours of Cupid and Psyche*, by the hand of the celebrated Raphael d'Urbin. Here you always see Painters designing and copying after it, it being esteemed one of the rarest pieces of y^e art in the world, and with greate reason. I must not omit that incomparable table of *Galatea* (as I remember), so carefully preserved in the cupboard at one of the ends of this walke, to protect it from y^e aire, being a most lively painting. There are likewise excellent things of Baldassare and others.

Thence we went to the noble house of the Duke of Bracciano, fairely built, with a stately court and fountaine.—Next we walked to St. Mary's Church, where was the Taberna Meritoria, where the old Roman soldiers received their triumphal garland, which they ever after wore. The high altar is very faire, adorn'd with columns of porphyrie: here is also some mosaic worke about y^e quire, and the Assumption is an esteem'd piece. It is sayd that this Church was the first that was dedicated to the Virgin at Roome. In the opposite Piazza is a very sumptuous fountaine.

12. I went againe to St. Peter's, to see the Chapells, Churches, and Grotts under the whole Church (like our St. Faith's under Paules,) in which lie interr'd a multitude of Saints, Martyrs, and Popes; amongst them our countryman Hadrian IV. in a chest of porphyrie; St. Jo: Chrysostom; Petronella; the heads of St. James Minor, St. Luke, St. Sebastian, and our Thomas à Becket; a shoulder of St. Christopher; an armē of Joseph of Arimathea; Longinus; besides 134 more Bishopes, Souldiers, Princes, Scholars, Cardinals, Kings, Emperors, their wives, too long to particularize.

Hence we walked into the Cemiterie cal'd Campo Santo, the earth consisting of several ship loads of mould transported from Jerusalem, which consumes a carcasse in 24 hours. To this joynes that rare Hospital, wher once was Nero's Circus; and next to this is the Inquisition house and prison, the inside whereoff, I thanke God, I was ver curious to see. To this joins his Holinesse's Horse-guards.

On Christmas Eve I went not to bed, being desirous of seeing the many extraordinary ceremonies performed then in their Churches, as midnight masses and sermons. I went from Church to Church the whole night in admiration at the multitude of scenes and pageantry which the Friars had with much industry and craft set out; to catch the devout women and superstitious sort of people, who never passed without dropping some money into a vessell set on purpose; but especially observable was the pupetry in the Church of the Minerva, representing the Nativity. I thence went and heard a sermon at the Apollinare, by which time it was morning. On Christmas Day his Holinesse saing Masse, the artillerie at St. Angelo went off, and all this day was expos'd the cradle of our Lord.

29. We were invited by the English Jesuites to dinner, being their greate feast of Thomas [a Becket] of Canterbury. We din'd in their common Refectory, and afterward saw an Italian Comedy acted by their alumni before the Cardinals.

1645. Jan. We saw passe the new officers of the people of Rome; especially for their noble habits were most conspicuous y^e 3 Consuls, now call'd *Conservators*, who take their places in the Capitol, having been sworne the day before betwene the hands of the Pope. We ended the day w^t the rare musiq at the Chiesa Nova.

6 Jan. Was the ceremony of our Saviour's Baptisme in the Church of St. Athanasius, and at Ara Celi was a greate procession, *del Bambino* as they call it, where were all the Magistrates, and a wonderfull concourse of people.

7. A Sermon was preach'd to the Jewes at Ponte Sisto, who are constrain'd to sit till the houre is don; but it is with so much malice in their countenances, spitting, hum'ing, coughing, and motion, that it is almost impossible they should heare a word frout the preacher. A conversion is very rare.

14. The heads of St. Peter and St. Paul are exposed at St. J. Laterano.

15. The Zitelle, or young wenchs, which are to have pension given them by the Pope, being poore, and to marry them, walked in procession to St. Peter's, where the Veronese men shew'd

I went to the Ghetto, where the Jewes dwell as in a suburie by themselves; being invited by a Jew of my acquaintance to see a Circumcision. I passed by the Piazza Judea, where their Seraglio begins; for, being environ'd wth walls, they are lock'd up every night. In this place remaines yet part of a stately fabric, which my Jew told me had been a palace of theirs for the ambassador of their nation when their country was subject to the Romans. Being lead through the Synagogue into a privat house, I found a world of people in a chamber: by and by came an old man, who prepared and layd in order divers instruments brought by a little child of about 7 yeres old in a box. These the man layd in a silver basin; the knife was much like a short razor to shut into y^e haft. Then they burnt some incense in a censer, wth perfum'd the rome all the while the ceremony was performing. In the basin was a little cap made of white paper like a capuchin's hood, not bigger than the finger; also a paper of a red astringent powder, I suppose of hole; a small instrument of silver, cleft in the middle at one end to take up the prepucce withall; a fine linen cloth wrapped up. These being all in order, the women brought the infant, swaddl'd, out of another chamber, and delivered it to the Rabbie, who carried and presented it before an altar or cupboard dress'd up, on which lay the 5 Bookes of Moses, and the Commandments a little anrowled; before this, with profound reverence, and muttbling a few words, he waved the child to and fro awhile; then he deliver'd it to another Rabbie, who sate all this time upon a table. Whilst the ceremony was performing, all the company fell a singing an Hebrew hymn in a barbarous tone, waving themselves to and fro, a ceremony they observe in all their devotions.—The Jewes in Rome all wear yellow hatts, live onely upon brokerage and usury, very poore and despicable, beyond what they are in other territories of Princes where they are permitted. .

18 Jan. I went to see the Pope's Palace, the Vatican, where he for the most part keeps his Court. It was first built by Pope Simachus, and since augmented to a vast pile of building by his successors. That part of it added by Sixtus V. is most magnificent. This lead us into divers terraces arched *sub dio*, painted by Raphael wth y^e Historys of the Bible, so esteem'd, that artists come from all parts of Europe to

make their studies from these designs. The foliage and grotesq; about some of the compartments are admirable*. In another room are represented at large mappes and plotts of most countries in the world, in vast tables, with briefe descriptions. The stayres w^{ch} ascend out of St. Peter's portico into the first hall, are rarely contriv'd for ease; these leade into the hall of Gregory XIII. the walls whereof, halfe way to the roofof, are incrusted wth most precious marbles of various colours and workes. So is also the pavement inlaid worke; but what exceeds description in y^e volta or rooff iufelue, which is so exquisitely painted, that 'tis almost impossible for the skilfullest eye to diserne whether it be the worke of the pensil upon a flatt, or of a toole cutt deepe in stone. The *Rota dendata* in this admirable perspective, on the left hand as one goes out, the *Stella*, &c. are things of art incomparable. Certainly this is one of the most superb and royall apparte-ments in the world, much too beautifull for a guard of gigantic Swissers, who do nothing but drinke and play at cards in it. Going up these stayres is a painting of *St. Peter walking on the sea towards our Saviour.*

Out of this I went into another hall, just before the chapell called the *Sala del Conclave*, full of admirable paintings; amongst other is the *Assassination of Coligny*, the greate [Protestant] French Admiral, murder'd by y^e D. of Guise, in the Parisian massacre at the nuptials of Hen. IV. with Queen Margarite; under it is written, "Coligni et sociorum cædes;" on the other side, "Rex Coligni necam probat."

There is another very large picture, under which is inscribed,

"Alexander Papa III. Fredrici Primi Imperatoris itam et impetum fugiens abdedit se Venetijs; cognitum et à senatu per honorificè suscepsum. Othono Imperatoris filio navalè pælio victo captoq; Fredericus pace facta supplex adorat; Adem et obedientiam pollicitus. Ita Pontifici sua dignitas Venet. Rep. beneficio restituta MCLXXVII." +

* Painted by John of Udine, scholar of Raphael. Painter's Voyage of Italy, p. 17.

+ Pope Alexander III. flying from the wealth and attack of the Emperor Frederick I. took shelter at Venice, where he was acknowledged and most honorably received by the Senate. The Emperor's son Otto being conquered and taken in a naval battle, the Emperor, having made peace, became a suppliant to the Pope, promising faith and obedience. Thus his dignity was restored to the Pontiff by the aid of the Republic of Venice; 1700 vols.

This inscription I the rather took notice of, because Urban VIII. had caused it to be blotted out during the difference betweene him and that State; but it was now restor'd and refresh'd by his successor, to the greate honor of the Venetians. The *Battaile of Lepanto* is another faire piece here.

Now we came into the Pope's Chapell, so much celebrated for the *Last Judgment*, painted by M. Angelo Buonarotti. It is a painting in *fresca* upon a dead wall at the upper end of the Chapell, just over y^e high altar, of a vast designe and miraculous fancy, econsidering the multitude of naked figures and variety of posture. The roose also is full of rare worke.—Hence we went into the Sacristia, where we were shew'd all the most precious vestments, copes, and furniture of y^e Chapell. One priestly cope, with the whole suite, had been sent from one of our English Henrys, and is shewn for a greate rarity. There were divers of the Pope's pantofles that are kissed on his foote, having rich jewells embrodred on the instep, cover'd wth crimson velvet; also hia tyara, or triple crown, divers miters, crosiers, &c. all bestuddled with precious stones, gold, and pearle, to a very great value; a very large crosse, carved (as they affirme) out of the holy wood it selfe, numerous utensils of chrystal, gold, achat, amber, and other costly materials for the altar.

We then went into those chambers painted wth the Historys of the *burning of Rome, quenched by the procession of a Crucifix; the Victory of Constantine over Maxentius; St. Peter's delivery out of Prison;* all by Julio Romano*, and are therefore cal'd the Paynters' Academy, because you always find some young men or other designing from them; a civility w^{ch} is not refused in Italy where any rare pieces of the old and best masters are extant, and w^{ch} is the occasion of breeding up many excellent men in that profession.

The Sala Clementina's Suffito is painted by Cherubin Alberti, with an ample landskip of Paul Brill's.

We were then conducted into a new Gallery, whose sides were painted with views of the most famous places, towns, and territories in

* A famous scholar of Raphael.

Italy, rarely don, and upon the roose the chiefe acts of the Roman Church since St. Peter's pretended See there. It is doubtless one of the most magnificent galleries in Europ.—Out of this we came into y^e Consistory, a noble roome, the volto painted in grotesq; as I remember. At the upper end is an elevated throne, and a baldachino or canopy of state, for his Holinesse, over it.

From thence, through a very long gallery (longer, I think, then the French king's at the Louvre), but onely of bare walls, we were brought into y^e Vatican Library. This passage was now full of poore people, to each of whom, in his passage to St. Peter's, the Pope gave a mezzo grosse. I believe there were in number neer 1500 or 2000 persons.

This Library is the most nobly built, furnish'd, and beautified of any in the world; ample, stately, light, and cherefull, looking into a most pleasant garden. The walls and roose are painted, not with antiques and grotescs, like our Bodleian at Oxford, but emblems, figures, dia-grams, and the like learned inventions, found out by the wit and in-dustry of famous men, of which there are now whole volumes extant. There were likewise the effigies of the most illustrious men of letters and fathers of the Church, with divers noble statues in white marble at the entrance, viz. Hippolitus and Aristides. The Generall Councils are painted on the side walls. As to y^e ranging of the booke, they are all shut up in presses of wainscot, and not expos'd on shelves to the open uyre, nor are the most precios mix'd amongst the more ordinary, which are shew'd to the curious onely; such as are those two Virgils written in parchment, of more then a thousand yeres old; the like a Terence; the Acts of y^e Apostles in golden capital letters; Petrarch's Epigrams, written with his owne hand; also an Hebrew parchment made up in the ancient manner, frou whence they were first call'd *Volumina, wth y^e Cornua*; but what we English do much enquire after, the booke which our Hen. VIII. writ against Luther*.

* This very book, by one of those curious chances that occasionally happen, has recently been brought to England, where the Editor has seen it; and, what is very remarkable, whatever the title of Defender of the Faith is subjoined to the name of Henry, the Pope has drawn his pen through the epithet. The name of the King occurs in his own hand-writing both at the beginning and end; and on the binding are the royal arms. The present possessor purchased it in Rome for a few shillings from an old book-stall.

The largest roome is 100 paces long; at the end is the gallery of printed books; then the gallery of the D. of Urbans librarie, in which are MSS. of remarkable miniature, and divers China, Mexican, Samaritan, Abyssin, and other Oriental books.

In another wing of the edifice, 200 paces long, were all the bookees taken from Heidelberg, of which the learned Gruter and other greate scholars had been keepers. These walls and volto are painted with representations of the machines invented by Domenico Fontana for erection of the obelisks; and the true designe of Mahomet's sepulchre at Mecca.

Out of this we went to see the Conclave, where, during a vacancy, the Cardinals are shut up till they are agreed upon a new election, the whole manner whereof was describ'd to us.

Hence we went into the Pope's Armory under the Library. Over the dore is this inscription: "Urbanus VIII. Litteris Arma, Arma Litteris." I hardly believe any Prince in Europ is able to shew a more compleatly furnish'd Library of Mars for the quality and quantity, w^{ch} is 40,000 compleate for horse and foote, and most neatly kept. Out of this we pass'd againe by the long Gallery and at the lower end of it downe a very large payr of stayres, round, without any stepps as usualy, but descending with an evenesse so ample and easy that a horse-Jitter or coach may wth ease be drawne up; the sides of the vacuity are set wth columns: those at Amboise on the Loire in France are something of this invention but nothing so spruce. By these we descended into the Vatican Gardens cal'd *Belvedere*, where entring first into a kind of Court we were shew'd those incomparable statues (so faid by Pliny and others) of Laocoon with his three sonnes embrac'd by an huge serpent, all of one entire Parian stone very white and perfect, somewhat bigger than the life, the worke of those three celebrated sculptors Agesandrus, Polidorus, and Artemidorus, Rhodians; it was found amongst the ruines of Titus's Baths, and placed here. Pliny says this statue is to be esteem'd before all pictures and statues in the world; and I am of his opinion, for I never beheld any thing of art approach it. Here are also those two famous images of Nylus with the Children playing about him, and that of Tyber; Romulus and Rhemus with the

Wolfe; the dying Cleopatra; the Venus and Cupid, rare pieces; the Mercury; Cybel; Hercules; Apollo; Antinous: most of which are, for defence against the weather, shut up in niches with wainscot dores. We were likewise shew'd the reliques of the Hadrian Moles, viz. the Pine, a vast piece of mettall which stood on the summit of that mausoleum; also a Peacock of coper supposed to have been part of Scipio's monument.

In the Garden without this (w^{ch} contains a vast circuit of ground) are many stately fountaines, especially two casting water into antiq lavers brought from Titus's Bathes; some faire grotts and water works, that noble cascade where the ship daunces, with divers other pleasant inventions, walkes, terraces, meanders, fruite-trees, and a most goodly prospect over the greatest part of the City. One fountaine under the gate I must not omitt, consisting of three jettos of water gushing out of the mouthes or proboscis of bees (the armes of the late Pope), because of the inscription:

Quid miraris Apem, quae mel de floribus haurit?

Si tibi mellitam gutture fundit aquam;

23. We went without the walls of y^e City to visite St. Paules, to which place 'tis sayd the Apostle bore his owne head after Nero had caus'd it to be cut off. The Church was founded by the Greate Constantine; the maine roofe is supported by 100 vast columns of marble, and the Mosaik worke of the greate arch is wrought with a very ancient story A° 440; as is likewise that of the faciata. The gates are brasse made at Constantinople in 1070, as you may reade by those Greeke verses engraven on them. The Church is neero 500 foote long and 258 in breadth, and has 5 great iles joyn'd to it, on the bases of one of whose columns is this odd title: "Fl. Eugenius Asellus C. C. Praef. Urbis V. S. I. reparavit." Here they shew'd us that miraculous Crucifix w^{ch} they say spake to St. Brigit: and just before the Ciborio stand two excellent statutes. Here are buried part of the bodya of St. Paule and St. Peter. The pavement is richly interwoven w^{ch} precious oriental marbles about the high altar, where are also 4 excellent payntings whereof one, representing the stoning of St. Stephen, is by the hand of a Bellognian lady named Lavinia. The tabernacle on this altar is of excellent architecture, and the pictures in the Chapel del Sacramento are of

Lanfranchi. Diuers other reliques there be also in this venerable Church, as a part of St. Anna; the head of the Woman of Samaria; the chayne w^{ch} bound St. Paule, and the Eculeus us'd in tormenting the primitive Christians. The Church stands in the Via Ostensis about a mile from the walls of the Citty, separated from any buildings neere it except the Tria Fontana, to which (leaving our coach) we walked, going over the mountaine or little rising upon w^{ch} story says ap hundred seaventy and 4 thousand Christians had been martyr'd by Maximianus, Dioclesian, and other blody Tyrants. On this stand St. Vincent's and Anastasius; likewise the Church of St. Maria Scala del Ciclo, in whose Tribuna is a very faire Mosaic worke. The Church of the Tre Fontane (as they are call'd) is perfectly well built tho' but small (whereas that of St. Paule is but Gotiq) having a noble cupola in the middle; in this they shew the pillar to which St. Paule was bound when his head was cut off and from whence it made three prodigious leaps, where there im'diatly broke out the 3 remaining fountains which gave denomination to this Church. The waters are reported to bo medicinal; over each is erected an altar and a chayned ladie for better tasting of the waters. That most excellent picture of *St. Peter's crucifixion* is of Guido.

25. I went againe to the Palazzo Farnese, to see some certaine statutes and antiquities w^{ch} by reason of the *Major Domo* not being within I could not formerly obtaine. In the hall stands that triumphant Colosse of one of the family, upon 3 figures, a modern, but rare piece. About it stood some Gladiators; and at the entrance into one of the first chambers are two cumbent figures of Age and Youth brought hither from St. Peter's to make roome for the Longinus under the cupola. Here was the statue of a ram running at a man on horseback, a most incomparable expression of Fury cut in stone; and a table of Pietra Com'esse very curious. The next chamber was all painted *a fresca* by a rare hand, as was the carving in wood of the cieling w^{ch} as I remember was in cedar as the Italian mode is, and not poore plaster as ours are; some of them most richly gilt. In a third roome stood the famous Venus, and the child Hercules strangling a serpent of Corinthian brass antiqu, on a very curious base-relievo; the sacrifice to Priapus; the Egyptian Isis in the hard

black ophit stone taken out of the Pantheon; greatly celebrated by the Antiquaries; likewise two tables of brass containing divers old Roman laws. At another side of this chamber was the statue of a wounded Amazon falling from her horse, worthy the name of the excellent sculptor, who ever the artist was. Neere this was a base relivo of a Bacchanalia wth a most curious Silenus. The 4th room was totally environ'd with statues; especially observable was that so renowned piece of a Venus looking backward over her shoulder, and divers other naked figures by the old Greek masters. Over the doores are two *Venus's*, one of them looking on her face in a glasse by M. Angelo, the other is painted by Caracci. I never saw finer faces, especially that under the masque whose beauty and art are not to be describ'd by words. The next chamber is also full of statues most of them y^e heads of Philosophers, very antiq. One of the Caesars and another of Hannibal cost 1200 crownes. Now I had a second view of that never to be sufficiently admired gallery painted in deepe relivo, the worke of 10 yeares study for a trifling reward. In the wardrobe above they shew'd us fine wrought plate, porcelan, mazers of beaten and solid gold set with diamonds, rubies, and emeralds; a treasure, especially the workmanship consider'd, of incalculable value. This is all the Duke of Parma's. Nothing seem'd to be more curious and rare in its kind than the compleat service of the purest chrystral for y^e altar of the Chapell, the very bell, cover of a book, sprinkler, &c. were all of the rock, incomparably sculptur'd with the holy story in deepe Levatis; thus was also wrought the crucifix, chalice, vasas, flower-pots, the largest and purest chrystall that my eyes ever beheld. Truly I looked on this as one of the greatest curiosities I had seen in Rome. In another part were presses furnish'd with antiq. armes, German clocks, perpetual motions, watches, and curiosities of Indian works. A very ancient picture of Pope Eugenius; a St. Bernard, and a head of marble found long since, supposed to be a true portrait of our B. Saviour's face.

Hence we went to see Dr. Gibbs, a famous poet and countryman of ours, who had some intendency in an Hospital built on the Via Tumaphalis, called Christ's Hospital, w^{ch} he shew'd us. The Infirmary where the sick lay was paved with various colour'd marbles, and the

walls hung wth noble pieces; the beds are very faire; in the middle is a stately cupola, under w^{ch} is an altar decked wth divers marble statues, all in sight of the sick, who may both see and heare masse as they lye in their beds. The organs are very fine, and frequently play'd on to recreate the people in paine. To this joynt an apartment destined for y^e orphans; and there is a schoole; the children weare blew like ours in London at an Hospital of the same appellation. Here are 40 nurses who give suck to such children as are accidentally found expos'd and abandon'd. In another quarter are children of bigger growth, 450 in number, who are taught letters. In another, 500 girles under the tuition of divers religious matrons, in a Monastray, as it were, by itselfe. I was assur'd there were at least 2000 more maintain'd in other places. I think one appartiment had in it necre 1000 beds; these are in a very long rome having an inner passage for those who attend, with as much care, sweetenesse, and conveniency as can be imagin'd, the Italians being generally very neat. Under the portico the sick may walke out and take y^e ayre. Opposite to this are other chambers for such as are sick of maladies of a more rare and difficult cure, and they have romes apart. At y^e end of the long corridore is an apothecary's shop, fair and very well stor'd; neere which are chambers for persons of better quality who are yet necessitous. Whatever y^e poore bring is at their coming in deliver'd to a treasurer, who makes an inventory and is accountable to them or their representatives if they dye. To this building joynt the house of the com'endator, who wth his officers attending the sick make up 90 persons; besides a convent and an ample church for the friers and priests who daily attend. The church is extremely neat, and the sacristia very rieh. Indeed tis altogether one of the most pious and worthy foundations I ever saw: nor is the benefit small wth divers young physitians and chirurgeons reape by the experiance they leerne here amongst the sick, to whom those students have free accessse. Hence we ascended a very steepe hill neere y^e Port St. Panoratio to y^t stately fountaine call'd Acqua Paula, being the aqueduct w^{ch} Augustus had brought to Rome, now re-edified by Paulus V.; wth rare piece of architecture, and which serves the City after a journey of 35 miles, here positing it selfe into divers ample lauors, out of y^e

mouthes of swans and dragous, the armes of this Pope. Situate on a very high mount, it makes a most glorious shew to y^e City, especially when the sun darts on y^e waters as it gusheth out. The inscriptions on it are :

Paulus V. Romanus Pontifex Opt. Max. Aqueductus ab Augusto Cæsare extuctos, eti longinqua vetustate collapsos, in ampliorem formam restituit anno salutis M. D. CIX. Pont. V.

And towards the feilds,

Paulus V. Rom. Pontifex Optimus Maximus, priori ductu longissimi temporis injuria pene diruto, sublimiore

[One or more leaves are here wanting in Mr. Evelyn's MS. descriptive of other parts of Rome, and of his leaving the City.]

Thence to Veletri, a towne heretofore of the Volsci, where is a publiq and faire statue of P. Urban VIII. in brasse, and a stately fountaine in the streete. Here we lay, and drank excellent wine.

Jan: 28. We dined at Sermoneta, descending all this morning downe a stony mountaine, unpleasant, yet full of olive-trees; and anon passe a towre built on a rock, kept by a small guard against y^e Banditti who infest these parts, daily robbing and killing passengers, as my Lord Banbury and his company found to their cost a little before. To this guard we gave some mony, and so were suffer'd to passe, w^{ch} was still on y^e Appian to the Tres Tabernæ (whither the brethren came from Rome to meeke St. Paule, Acts, c. 28); the ruines whereof are yet very faire, resembling the remainder of some considerable edifice, as may be judged by the vast stones and fairenesse of y^e arched worke. The country environing this passage is hilly, but rich; on the right hand stretches an ample playne, being the Pomptini Campi. We repest this night at Piperno, in the Post-house without the towne; and here I was extremely troubled with a sore hand from a mischance at Rome, w^{ch} now began to fester, upon my base, unlucky, stiff-necked, trotting, carrion mule, which are in the world the most wretched beasts. In this towne was y^e Poet Virgil's Camilla borne.

The day following we were faine to hire a strong convey of about 30 firelocks to guard us through the Cork-woods (much infested w^{ch} y^e Banditti) as far as Nova Fossa, where was y^e Appian Forum, and now stands a Church with a greate Monastery, the place where Thomas

Aquinas both studied and lyes buried. Here we all alighted, and were most courteously received by the Monks, who shew'd us many reliques of their learned Saint, and at the high altar the print forsooth of the mule's hoofe w^{ch} he caused to kneele before the Host. The Church is old, built after the Gotiq manner; but the place is very agreeably melancholy. After this, pursuing the same noble [Appian] way (w^{ch} we had before left a little) we found it to stretch from Capua to Rome it selfe, and afterwards as far as Brundusium. It was built by that famous Consul, 25 foote broad, every 12 foote something ascending for the ease and firmer footing of horse and man; both the sides are also a little rais'd for those who travell on foote. The whole is paved with a kind of beach-stone, and, as I sayd, ever and anon adorn'd with some old ruine, sepulcher, or broken statue. In one of these monuments Pancirollus tells us that in the time of Paul III. there was found the body of a young lady swimming in a kind of bath of precious oyle or liquor, fresh and entire as if she had been living, neither her face discolor'd, nor her haire disorder'd; at her feete burnt a lamp which suddenly expir'd at y^e opening of the vault; having flam'd, as was computed, now 1500 yeares, by the conjecture that she was Tulliola the daughter of Cicero whose body was thus found, and as the inscription testified. We din'd this day at Terracina, heretofore y^e famous Anxur, w^{ch} stands upon a very eminent promontory, the Cerean by name. Whilst meate was preparing I went up into y^e town, and view'd the fayre remainders of Jupiter's Temple, now converted into a Church, adorn'd with most stately columns; its architecture has been excellent, as may be deduc'd from the goodly cornices, mouldings, and huge white marbles of which 'tis built. Before the portico stands a pillar *thus inscrib'd.*

*Inclita Gothorum Regis monumenta vetusta
Anxuri hoc Oculos exposuere loco.*

for it seemes Theodorie drayn'd their marches.

On another more ancient:

*Imp. Caesar Divi Nervæ Filius Nerva Trajanus Aug. Germanicus Dacicus.
Pontif. Max. Trib. Pop. xviii. Imp. vi. Cos. v. p.p. xviii. Silices suā pecunia
stravit.*

Meaning doubtlesse some part of the Via Appia. Then,

Tit. Upio. Aug. optato Pontano Procuratori et Praetori Clusii — T. Julius T. Fab. optatus n. vir.

Here is likewise a Columna Miliaria with something engraven on it, but I could not stay to consider it. Coming down againe I went towards the sea side to contemplate that stupendious strange rock and promontory, cleft by hand, I suppose, for the better passage. Within this is the Cerean Cave, which I went into a good way; it makes a dreadfull noyse by reason of the roaring and impetuous waves continually assaulting the beach, and that in an unusuall manner. At the top at an excessive height stands an old and very greate castle. We ariv'd this night at Fundi, a most dangerous passage for robbing; and so we pass'd by Galba's Villa, and anoy entred the kingdome of Naples, where at the gate this epigraph saluted us: "Hospes hic sunt fines Regni Neopolitani; si amicus advenis, pacare oportet invenies, et malis moribus pulsis, bonas leges." The Via Appia is here a noble prospect; having before consider'd how it was carried through vast mountaines of rocks for many miles, by most stupendious labour: here it is infinitely pleasant, beset wth sepulchres, and antiquities, full of sweete shrabbs in the environing hedges. At Fundi we had oranges and citrons for nothing, the trees growing in every corner, charged with fruite.

29. We deserued Mount Cæcubus, famous for the generous wine it heretofore produc'd, and so rid onward the Appian Way, beset with myrtels, lentiscus, bayes, pomegranads, and whole groves of orange-trees and most delicious shrubbs, till we came to Formiana, where they shew'd us Cicero's Tomb standing in an olive grove, now a rude heap of stones, without forme or beauty; for here that incomparable Orator was murther'd. I shall never forget how exceedingly I was delighted with the sweetenesse of this passage, the sepulcher mixt amongst all sorts of verdure; besides being now come within sight of the noble Citty Cajeta, wth gives a surprizing prospect along the Tyrhen Sea in manner of a Theater: and here we beheld that strangely cleft rock, a frighfull spectacle, wth they say happen'd upon the passion of our Bl. Saviour; but the last of o^r Prodigio did not suffer us to dwell so long on these objects, and the many antiquities of this towne, as we desired.

At Formia we saw Cicero's grott, dining at Molu, and passing Sennessa, Garigliano (once the Citty Minterna), and beheld the ruines of that vast amphitheatre and aqueduct yet standing; the river Liris, wh^{ch} bounded the old Latium, Falernus, or Mons Massicus, celebrated for its wine, now named Garo; and this night we lodged at a little village called Agatha, in the Falernian Feilds neere to Aurunca and Sessa.

The next day, having passed [the river] Vulturinus, we come by the Torri di Francolesse, where Hannibal in danger from Fabius Maximus escaped by debauching his enemyes; and so at last we enter'd the most pleasant plaines of Campania, now call'd Terra di Lavoro; in very truth, I thinke, the most fertile spot that ever the sun shone upon. Here we saw the slender ruines of the once mighty Capua, contending at once both with Rome and Carthage, for splendor and empire, now nothing but a heape of rubbish, except shewing some vestige of its former magnificence in pieces of temples, arches, theaters, columns, ports, vaults, colossas, &c. confounded together by the barbarous Goths and Longobards: there is however a new Citty, neerer to y^e road by two miles, fairely rays'd out of these heapes. The passage from this towne to Naples (wh^{ch} is about 10 or 12 English post miles,) is as straight as a line, of great breadth, fuller of travellers than I remember any of our greatest and most frequented roads neere London; but what is extreamely pleasing, is the great fertility of the feilds, planted with fruit-trees, whose boles are serpented with excellent vines, and they so exuberant that 'tis commonly reported one vine will loade 5 mules with its grapes. What adds much to the pleasure of the sight is that the vines, climbing to the summit of the trees, reach in festoons and fruitages from one tree to another, planted at exact distances, forming a more delightful picture than painting can describe. Here grow rice, canes for suggar, olives, pomegranads, mulberrys, cittrons, oranges, figgs, and other sorts of rare fruits. About the middle of the way is the towne Aversa, whither came 3 or 4 coaches to meeke our lady-travellers, of whom we now tooke leave, having ben very merry by the way with them and the capitano their gallant.

31 Jan. About noone we enter'd the Citty of Naples, alighting at the 3 Kings, where we found the most plentifull fare all the tyne we

were in Naples. Provisions are wonderfully cheap; we seldom sat downe to fewer than 18 or 20 dishes of exquisite mout and frutes.

The Morrow after our arrival, in the afternoone, we hired a coach to carry us about the towne. First we went to the Castle of St. Elmo, built on a very high rock, whence we had an intire prospect of y^e whole Citty, which lyes in shape of a theatre upon the ~~the~~ brink, with all the circumjacent islands, as farre as Caprea, famous for the debauched recesses of Tiberius. This Fort is the bridle of the whole Citty, and was well stor'd and garrison'd with native Spaniards. The strangenesse of the precipice and rarenesse of the prospect of so many magnificent and stately Palaces, Churches, and Monasteries; wth the Arsenal, the Mole, and Mount Vesuvius in the distance; all in full cop'and of y^e eye, make it one of the richest landships in the world.

Hence we descended to another strong Castle, cal'd Il Castello Nuovo, which protects the shore, but they would by no intreaty permit us to go in; the outward defence seemes to consist but in 4 towers, very high, and an exceeding deepe graft with thick walls. Opposite to this is the Toure of St. Vincent, w^{ch} is also very strong.

Then we went to the very noble Palace of the Viceroy, partly old and part of a newer work, but we did not stay long here. Towards y^e evening we tooke the ayre upon the Mole, which is a streets on the rampart or banke rays'd in y^e Sea for security of their gallys in port, built as that of Genoa. Here I observed a rich fountaine in the middle of the Piazza, and adorn'd with divers rare statues of copper representing the Sirens or Deities of the Parthenope, spouting large stremes of water into an ample shell, all of cast metall, and of great cost; this stands at the entrance of y^e Mole, where wee mett many of the Nobility both on horseback and in their coaches to take the fresco from the Sea, as the manner is, it being in the most advantageous quarter for good ayre, delight, and prospect. Here we saw divers goodly horses who handsonly become their riders, the Neapolitan gentlemen. This Mole is about 500 paces in length, and paved with a square hewn stone. From the Mole we ascend to a Church, of greate antiquity, formerly sacred to Castor and Pollux, as the Greeke letters carv'd on the architrave and the busts of their two statues testify. It is now converted into a stately Oratory by the Theatines.

The Cathedrall is a most magnificent pile, and, except St. Peter's in Rome, Naples exceeds all Cittys for stately Churches and Monasteries. We were told that this day the blood of St. Genuarius and his head should be expos'd, and so we found it, but obtain'd not to see the miracle of the boiling of this blood, as was told us. The next we went to see was St. Peter's, richly adorned, the Chapel especialy, where that Apostle sayd *masse*, as is testified on the walle.

After dinner we went to St. Dominic, where they shew'd us the Crucifix that is reported to have sayd these words to St. Thomas. "Benedic mihi scriptisti Thoma." Hence to the Padri Olivetani, famous for the monument of the learned Alexand. ab Alexandro.

We went the next day to visite the Church of L^a Maria Maggiore, where we spent much time in surveying the Chapell of Joh. Jov. Pontanus, and in it the severall and excellent sentences and epitaphs on himselfe, wife, children, and friends, full of rare witt and worthy of recording as we find them in severall writers. In the same Chapell is shew'd an arme of Titus Livius wth this epigraph; "Titi Livij brachium quod Anton. Panormita a Patavinis impetravit, Jo. Jovianus Pontanus multos post annos hoc in loco ponendum curavit."

Climbing a steepe hill we came to the Monastery and Church of the Carthusians, from whence is a most goodly prospect towards the Sea and City, the one full of gallys and ships, the other of stately palaces, churches, monasteries, castles, gardens, delicious fields and meadows, Mount Vesuvius smoaking, the Promontory of Minerva and Misenum, Caprea, Prochyta, Ischia, Pausilipe, Puteoli, and the rest, doubtlesse one of the most divertisant and considerable vistas in y^e world. The Church is most elegantly built; the very pavements of the common cloyster being all layd wth variously polish'd marbles richly figu'd. They shew'd us a massie crosse of silver much celebrated for the workmanship and carving, and sayd to have been 14 yeares in perfecting. The Quire also is of rare arte; but above all to be admir'd is the yet unfinish'd Church of the Jesuites, certainly if accomplished not to be equal'd in Europe. Hence we pass'd by the Palazzo Caraffi, full of ancient and very noble statnes: also the Palace of the Ursini. The next day we did little but visite some friends, English merchants resi-

dent for their negotiation; onely this morning at the Viceroy's Cavalerizzo I saw the noblest horses that I had ever beheld, one of his sons riding the menage with that addresse and dexterity as I had never seene any thing approch it.

4 Feb. We were invited to the collection of exotic rarities in the Museum of Ferdinando Imperati, a Neapolitan nobleman, and one of the most observable palaces in the City, the repository of incomparable rarities. Amongst the naturall Herbals most remarkable was the *Byssus marina* and *Pompa marina*; the male and female Camelion; an *Onacratulus*; an extraordinary greate Crocodile; some of the *Orcudes Anates*, held here for a great rarity; likewise a Salamander; the male and female *Manucodista*, the male having an hollow in the back, in wh^{ch} tis reported the female both layes and hatches her eggs; the Mandragoras of both sexes; *Papyrus* made of severall reedes, and some of silke; tables of the rinds of trees written wth Japonic characters; another of the branches of palme; many Indian frutes; a chrystral that had a quantity of uncongealed water within its cavity; a petrified fisher's net; divers sort of Tarantulas, being a monstrous spider with lark-like clawes, and somewhat bigger.

5 Feb. The next day we beheld the Vice-king's procession, wh^{ch} was very splendid for the reliques, banuers, and musiq, which accompanied the B. Sacrament. The ceremony tooke up most of the morning.

6 Feb. We went by coach to take the ayre, and see y^e diversions or rather maddnesse of the Carnival; the courtisans (who swarne in this City to the number, as we are told, of 30,000, registered and paying a tax to y^e State) flinging eggs of sweete water into our coach as we passed by the houses and windows. Indeed the towne is so pester'd with these cattell, that their needs no small mortification to preserve from their enchantment, whilst they display all their naturall and artificiall beauty, play, sing, feigne compliment, and by a thousand studied devices seeke to inveigle foolish young men.

7. The next day being Saturday we went 4 miles out of towne on mules to see that famous Volcane Mount Vesuvius. Here we passe a faire fountaine cal'd Labulla, wh^{ch} continually boyles, suppos'd to proceed from Vesuvius, and thence over a river and bridg, where on a

large upright stone is engraven a notable inscription relative to the memorable eruption in 1630*.

Approaching the hill as we were able with our mules, we alighted, crawling up the rest of the proclivity with great difficulty, now wth our feete, now with our hands, not without many untoward slippes which did much bruise us on the various colour'd cinders wth which the whole mountaine is cover'd, some like pitch, others full of perfect brimstone, others metallique, interspers'd with innumerable pumices (of all w^{ch} I made a collection), we at the last gain'd the sum'it of an excessive altitude, turning o^r faces towards Naples, it presents one of the goodliest prospects in the world; all the Baiae, Cumæ, Elysian Fields, Capriæ, Ischia, Prochita, Misenus, Puteoli, that goodly City, with a great portion of the Tyrrian Sea, offering themselves to your view at once, and at so agreeable a distancee, as nothing can be more delightfull. The mountaine consists of a double top, the one pointed very sharp, and com'only appearing above any clouds, the other blant. Here as we approch'd we met many large gaping clefts and chasms, out of which issued such sulphureous blasts and smoke that we durst not stand long neare them. Having gain'd the very summit, I layd myself downe to looke over and into that most frightfull and terrible vorago, a stupendious pit of neere three miles in circuit and halfe a mile in depth, by a perpendicular hollow cliffe (like that from the highest part of Dover Castle), with now and then a craggy prominency jetting out. The area at the bottom is plaine like an even'd floore, which seemes to be made by the winds circling the ashes by its eddy blasts. In the middle and center is a hill shaped like a greate browne loaf, appearing to consist of sulphurous matter, continually vomiting a foggy exhalation, and ejecting huge stones with an impetuous noise and roaring like the report of many musquets discharging. This horrid Parathrum engaged our attention for some houres, both for the strangeness of the spectacle and y^e mention which the old histories make of it, as one of the most stupendious curiosities in nature, and which made the learned and inquisitive Pliny adventure his life to detect the causes,

* It may be seen at length in Wright's Travels, and in Mission's New Voyage to Italy, vol. I. p. 431.

and to loose it in too desperate an approach. It is likewise famous for the stratagem of the rebell Spartacus, who did so much mischiefe to the State, lurking amongst and protected by these horrid caverns, when it was more accessible and less dangerous than now it is; but especially notorious it is for the last conflagration, when, in an^o 1630, it burst out beyond what it had ever don in the memory of history, throwing out huge stones and fiery pumices in such quantity as not onely environ'd the whole mountaine, but totally buried and overwhelm'd divers townes and their inhabitants, scattering the ashes more than an hundred miles, and utterly devastating all those vineyards where formerly grew the most incomparable Greco; when bursting thro' the bowels of the earth it absorb'd the very Sea, and with its whirling waters drew in divers gallyes and other vessels to their destruction, as is faithfully recorded. We descended with more ease than we climb'd up, thro' a deepe vallie of pure ashes, w^{ch} at the late eruption was a flowing river of mealted and burning brimstone, and so came to our mules at the foote of the mountaine.

On Sunday we with our guide visited the so much celebrated Baies and natural rarities of the places adjacent. Here we enter the mountaine Paenilipo, at the left hand of which they shew'd us Virgil's sepulchre erected on a steep rock, in forme of a small rotunda or capulated columne, but almost overgrowne with bushes and wild baye trees. At the entrance is this inscription:

Stanisi Cencovius.

1589.

Qui cuneres? Tumuli haec vestigia conditor olim.

Ille hoc qui cœcinit Pascua Rura Duce.

Can Rec. MDLIII.*

After we were advanc'd into this noble and altogether wonderfull crypt, consisting of a passage spacious enough for two coaches to go

* Such is the inscription, as copied by Mr. Evelyn, but as its sense is not very clear, and as the Diary contains instances of inaccuracy in transcribing, the Editor has thought it desirable to subjoin the distich said by Knyder in his Travels, vol. II, p. 432, to be the only one in the whole mausoleum:

Qui cuneres? tunc haec vestigia conditor olim
Ille hoc qui cœcinit Pascua Rura Duce.

on breast, cut thro' a rocky mountaine neere three quarters of a mile, (by the ancient Cimmerii as reported, but as others say by L. Coccceius, who employ'd an hundred thousand men on it,) we came to the midway, where there is a well bor'd through the diameter of this vast mountaine, which admitts the light into a pretty chapel, hewn out of the natural rock, wherein hang divers lamps perpetually burning. The way is pav'd under foote, but it does not hinder the dust, which rises so excessively in this much frequented passage that we were for'd at mid-day to use a torch. At length we were deliver'd from the bowels of the earth into one of the most delicious plaines in the world : the oranges, lemons, pomegranads, and other frutes, blushing yet on the perpetually Greene trees; for the summer is here eternal, caus'd by the natural and adventitious heate of the earth, warm'd through the subterranean fires, as was shewn us by our guide, who alighted, and cutting up a turf w^t his knife, and delivering it to me, was so hot I was hardly able to hold it in my hands. This mountaine is exceedingly fruitfull in vines, and exotices grow readily. We now came to a lake of about two miles in circumference, environ'd with hills; the water of it is fresh and swete on the surface but salt at botome, some mineral salt conjectured to be the cause, and 'tis reported of that profunditude in the middle that it is botomelesse. The people call it Lago di Agnano from the multitude of serpents which involved together about the spring fall downe from the clifffy hills into it. It has no fish, nor will any live in it. We tried the old experiment on a dog in the Grotto del Cane, or Charon's Cave; it is not above three or four paces deepe, and about the height of a man, nor very broad. Whatever having life enters it presently expires. Of this we made tryal with two doggs, one of which we bound to a short pole to guide him the more directly into the further part of the den, where he was no sooner enter'd; but without the least noyse, or so much as a struggle, except that he panted for breath, lolling out his tongue, his eyes being fix'd; we drew him out dead to all appearance, but immediately plunging him into y^e adjoyning lake, within lesse than halfe an hour he recover'd, and swimming to shore ran away from us. We tried the same on another dogg without the application of the

water, and left him quite dead. The experiment has been made on men as on that poore creature whom Peter of Toledo caus'd to go in; likewise on some Turkish slaves; two soldiers, and other foole hardy persons, who all perish'd, and could never be recover'd by the water of the lake as are doggs, for which many learned reasons have been offer'd, as Simon Majolus in his booke of the Canicular-dayes has mention'd, colloq. 15. And certainly the most likely is the effect of those hot and dry vapours which ascend out of the earth and are condensed by the ambient cold, as appeares by their converting into chrystaline drops on y^e top, whilst at the botome 'tis so excessively hott that a torch being extinguished neere it, and lifted a little distance, was sudainely re-lighted. Neere to this cave are the natural stoves of St. Germain, of the nature of sudatories, in certaine chambers partition'd with stone for the sick to sweate in, the vapours here being exceedingly hot, and of admirable successe in the goute and other cold distempers of the nerves. Hence we climb'd up an hill, the very highway in several places even smoaking wth heate like a founracc. The mountaines were by the Greekes called Leucocydi, and the fields Phlegrean. Hercules here vanquished the Gyants assisted with lightning. We now came to the Court of Vulcan, consisting of a valley neere a quarter of a mile in breadth, the margin inviron'd with steepe cliffs, out of whose sides and footes break forth fire and smoke in abundance, making a noyse like a tempest of water, and sometimes discharging in lowd reports like so many guns. The heate of this place is wonderfull, the earth it selfe being almost unsufferable, and which the subterranean fires have made so hollow, by having wasted the matter for so many years, that it sounds like a drum to those who walke upon it; and the water thus struggling with those fires bubbles and sputters aloft into the ayre. The mouthes of these spiracles are besrew'd with variously-coloured cinders, which rise wth the vapour, as do many colour'd stones, according to the quality of the combustible matter, upon which as 'tis no little adventure to approch them; they are however daily frequented both by sick and well, the former receiving the fumes have been recover'd of diseases seem'd incurable. Here we found a grete deal of sulphure made, which they refine in certayne houses neere the place, casting it into canes, in a very

greate value. Neere this we were shew'd an hill of alum, where is one of the best mineries, yielding a considerable revenue. Some flowres of orange are found here; but I could not but smile at those who perswade themselves that here are the Gates of Purgatory, (for which it may be they have erected) very neere it a Convent and named it St. Januarius,) reporting to have often heard screeches and horrible lamentations proceeding from these caverns and vulcans; with other legends of birds that are never seenne save on Sandayes, which cast themselves into the lake at night, appearing no more all y^e weeke after.

We now approch'd the ruines of a very stately Temple or Theater of 172 foote in length and about 80 in breadth, throwne downe by an earthquake not long since; it was consecrated to Vulcan, and under the ground are many strange meanders, from w^{ch} it is nam'd the Labyrinth; this place is so haunted with bats that their perpetual fluttering endanger'd the putting out our linkes.

Hence we passed againe those boiling and smoking hills till we came to Pazzolo, formerly the famous Puteoli, the landing-place of St. Paule ben he came into Italy after the tempest described in the Acts of the Apostles. Here we made a good dinner, and bought divers medailes and other curiosities, antiquities, &c. of the country people, who daily find such things amongst the very old ruines of those places. This Towne was formerly a Greeke Colonie, built by the Samians, a reasonable commodious Port, and full of observable antiquities. We saw the ruines of Neptune's Temple, to whom this place was sacred, and neere it the stately palace and gardens of Peter de Toledo, formerly mentioned. Afterwards we visited that admirably built Temple of Augustus, seeming to have ben hewn out of an intire rock, tho' indeed consisting of several square stones. The inscription remaines thus, "L. Calphurnius L. E. Templum A^{ug}usto cum ornamentis D. D." and under it; "L. Coccejus L. C. Postumi L. Auctus Architec^tus." It is now converted into a Church, in which they shew'd us huge bones, w^{ch} they affirme to have ben of some gyant.

We went to see the ruines of the old Haven, so compact with that bituminous sand in which the materials are layd, as the like is hardly to be found, though all this has not ben sufficient to protect it from the

fatal ebneussions of several earthquakes (frequent here) which have almost demolish'd it, 13 vast piles of marble onely remaining, a stupendous worke in the bosome of Neptune ! To this joynes the bridg of Caligula, by which (having now embray'd ourselves) we sail'd to the pleasant Baiæ, almost 4 miles in length, all which way that proud Emperor would passe in triumph. Here we row'd along towards a villa of the orator Cicero's, where we were shew'd the ruines of his Academy, and at the foote of a rock his Bathes, the waters reciprocating their tides wth the neigbouring sea. Hard at hand rises Mount Gaurus, being, as I conceiv'd, nothing save an heape of pumices, which here floate in abundance on the sea, exhausted of all inflammable matter by the fire, w^{ch} renders them light and porous, so as the beds of niter w^{ch} lye deepe under them having taken fire dos easily eject them. They dig much for fancied treasure said to be conceil'd about this place. From hence we coasted neere the ruines of Portus Julius, where we might see divers stately palaces y^t had ben swallow'd up by the sea after earthquakes. Coming to shore we passe by the Lucrine Lake, so famous heretofore for its deliciois oysters, now producing few or none, being divided from y^e sea by a banke of incredible labour, the suppos'd worke of Hercules ; 'tis now halfe chock'd up wth rubbish, and by part of the new mountaine, which rose partly out of it, and partly out of the sea, and that in the space of one night and a day, to neere the altitude of a mile, on the 29th Sept. 1538, after many terrible earthquakes wth ruined divers places thereabout, when at midnight the sea retiring neere 200 paces, and yawning on y^e sidaine, it continued to vomit forth flames and fiery stones in such quantity as produced this whole mountaine by their fall, making the inhabitants of Puzzole to leave their habitations, supposing the end of the world had ben come.

From the left part of this we walked to the Lake Averus, of a round forme, and totaly environ'd wth mountaines. This lake was fain'd by the Poete for the gates of Hell, by w^{ch} Aeneas made his descent, and where they sacrificed to Pluto and the Manes. The waters are of a remarkable black colour, but I tasted of them without danger ; hence they faigney the river Styx has its course. At one side stand the handsome ruines of a Temple dedicated to Apollo, or

rather Pluto, but 'tis controverted. Opposite to this, having new lighted our torches, we enter a vast cave, in which having gon about two hundred paces, we passe a narrow entry which lead us into a roome of about 10 paces long, proportionable broad and high; the side walls and roose retaine still the golden Mosaiq, though now exceedingly decay'd by time. Here is a short cell, or rather niche, cut out of y^e solid rock, somewhat resembling a couch, in which they report that the Sibylla lay and utter'd her oracles; but is supposed by most to have been a bath onely. This subterranean grott leads quite through to Cuma, but is in some places obstructed by the earth w^{ch} has sunk in, so as we were constrain'd back againe & to creep on our bellys before we came to the light. 'Tis reported Nero had once resolved to cut a channel for two greate gallys y^e should have extended to Ostia, an 150 miles distant. The people now call it Licola.

From hence we ascended to y^e most ancient Citty of Italy, the renowned Cuma, built by y^e Grecians. It stands on a very eminent promontory, but is now an heape of ruines. A little below stands the Arco Felice, heretofore part of Apollo's Temple, with the foundations of divers goodly buildings; amongst whose heapes are frequently found statues and other antiquities, by such as dig for them. Neere this is the Lake Acherutia and Acheron. Returning to the shore we came to the Begnie de Tritoli and Diana, w^{ch} are onely long narrow passages cut through the maine rock, where the vapours ascend so hot that entring w^{ch} the body erect you will even faint w^{ch} excessive perspiration, but stooping lower as suddaine a cold surprizes. These sudatories are much in request for many infirmityes. Now we enter'd the haven of the Baiae, where once stood that famous Towne, so call'd from the Companion of Ulysses here buried; not without greate reason celebrated for one of the most delicious places that the sunn shines on, according to that of Horace:

"Nullus in Orbe locus Baiae praeluet amoenis."

Though as to the stately fabries there now remaine little save the mines, whereof the most intire is that of Diana's Temple, and another of Venus. Here were those famous pooles of lampreys that would

come to hand when call'd by name, as Martial tells us. On the sum'ite of the rock stands a strong Castle garrison'd to protect the shore from Turkish Pyrates. It was once the returying place of Julius Cesar.

Passing by y^e shore againe we entered Bauli, observable from the monstrous murther of Nero committed on his mother Agrippina. Her sepulchre was yet shew'd us in the rock, wth we enter'd, being cover'd with sundry heads and figures of beasts. We saw there the rootes of a tree turn'd into stone, and are continually dropping.

Thus having view'd the foundations of the old Cimeria, the palaces of Marius, Pompey, Nero, Hortensius, and other villas and antiquities, we proceeded towards the Promontory of Misentis, renown'd for y^e sepulchre of Aeneas's Trumpeter. Twas once a greate Citty, now hardly a ruine, sayd to have ben built from this place to the Promontory of Minerva, 50 miles distant, now discontinu'd and demolish'd by the frequent earthquakes. Here was the villa of Caius Marius, where Tiberius Cesar died; and here runs the Aqueduct, thought to be dug by Nero, a stupendous passage, heretofore nobly arched wth marble, as the ruines testifie. Hence we walked to those receptacles of water cal'd *Piscina Mirabilis*, being a vault of 500 feet long, and 22 in breadth, the roose prop'd up with 4 rankes of square pillars, 12 in a row; the walls are brick plaster'd over wth such a composition as for strength and politure resembles white marble. Tis conceiv'd to have ben built by Nero, as a conservatory for fresh water; as were also the Centi Camerelli, into which we were next led. All these Crypta being now almost sunke into y^e earth, shew yet their former amplitude and magnificence.

Returning towards the Baie we againe passe the Elysian Fields, so celebrated by the Poetes, not unworthily, for their situation and verdure, being full of myrtles and sweete shrubs, and having a most delightful prospect towards the Tyrrhen Sea. Upon the verge of these remaine the ruines of the Mercato di Salato, formerly a Circus; over the arches stand divers urnes full of Roman ashes.

Having well satisfied our curiositie among these Antiquities, we retir'd to our lesse, wth row'd us back againe towards Pumpani, at the very place of St. Paul's landing. Keeping along the shore

they shew'd us a place where the sea-water and sands did exceedingly boyle. Thence to y^e Island Nesis, once the fabulons Nymph; and thus we leave the Baie, so renowned for the sweete retirements of the most opulent and voluptuous Romans. They certainly were places of uncommonly amoenitie, as their yet tempting site and other circumstances of natural curiosities easily invite me to believe, since there is not in the world so many stupendious rarities to be met with as in the circle of a few miles which environ these blissfull aboades.

8 Feb. We went to see the Arsenal, well furnish'd with gallies and other vessells. The City is crowded with inhabitants, gentlemen and merchants. The Government is held of the Pope by an annual tribute of 40,000 ducats and a white Genet; but the Spanyard trusts more to the power of those his natural subjects there; Apulia and Calabria yielding him neere 4 millions of crownes yearly to maintaine it. The country is divided into 13 Provinces, 20 Archbishops, and 107 Bishops. The estates of the Nobility, in default of the male line, reverting to the King. Besides the Vice-Roy there is amongst the Chiefe Magistrates an High Constable, Admiral, Chiefe Justice, Greate Chamberlaine, and Chancellor, with a Secretary; these being prodigiously avaricious, do wonderfully enrich themselves out of the miserable people's labour, silks, manna, sugar, oyle, wine, rice, sulphur, and sloome; for wth all these riches is this delicious country blest. The manna falls at certain seasons on the adjoyning hills in forme of a thick dew. The very Winter here is a Summer, ever fruitlefull, so that in the middle of February we had melons, cherries, apricots, and many other sort of fruits.

The building of the City is for the size the most magnificent of any in Europe, the streetes exceeding large, well paved, having many vaults and conveyances under them for the sullage, wth renders them very sweete and cleane even in the midst of winter. To it belongeth more than 3000 Churches and Monasteries, and those the best built and adorn'd of any in Italy. They greatly affect the Spanish gravity in their habite; delight in good horses; the streetes are full of gallants on horseback, in coaches and sedans, from hence brought first into England by Sir Sanders Duncomb. The women are generally well

featur'd, but excessively libidinous. The country-people so jovial and addicted to musick, that the very husbandmen almost universally play on the guitarr, singing and composing songs in prayse of their sweethearts, and wil commonly goe to the field wth their fiddle; they are merry, witty, and genial, all wth I much attribute to the excellent quality of the ayre. They have a deadly hatred to the French, so that some of our company were flouted at for wearing red cloakes, as the mode then was.

This I made the *non ultra* of my travels, sufficiently sated with rolling up and downe, and resolving within myselfe to be no longer an *individuum vagum* if ever I got home againe, since from the report of divers experienc'd and curious persons I had ben assur'd there was little more to be seene in the rest of the civil world, after Italy, France, Flanders, and the Low Country, but plaine and prodigious barbarisme.

Thus about the 7th of Feb. we sat out on our return to Rome by the same way we came, not daring to adventure by Sea, as some of our company were inclin'd to do, for fear of Turkish pirates hovering on that coast; nor made we any stay save at Albano, to view the celebrated place and sepulchre of the famous Duelists who decided the ancient quarrell betweene their imperious neighbours wth the loss of their lives. These brothers, the Horatij and Curiatij, lye buried neere the highway, under two ancient pyramids of stone, now somewhat decay'd and overgrowne with rubbish. We tooke the opportunity of tasting the wine here, which is famous.

Being arived at Rome on the 13th Feb. we were againe invited to Sign^r. Angeloni's study *, where wth greater leasure we survey'd the rarities, as his cabinet and medallis especialy, eatem'd one of the best collections of them in Europe. He also shew'd us two antiqu lamps; one of them dedicated to *Palas*, the other *Laribus Sacru*, as appeared by their inscriptions; some old Roman rings and keyes; the *Aegyptian Isis* cast in yron; sundry rare bass-relievoes; good pieces of paynting, principally the *Christ* of Corregio, wth this painter's owne face admirably don by himselfe; divers of both y^r Bassano's; a greate number

of pieces by Titian, particularly the *Triumphs*; an infinity of naturall rarities, dry'd animals, Indian habits and weapons, shells, &c.; divers very antiqu statues of brasse; some lamps of so fine an earth that they resembled cornelians for transparency and colour; hinges of Corinthian brasse, and one greate nayle of the same mettal found in the ruines of Nero's golden house.

In the afternoone we ferried over to Transtevere, to the Palace of Gichi*, to review the works of Raphael: and returning by St. Angelo, we saw the Castle as far as was permitted, and on the other side considered those admirable pilasters suppos'd to be of the foundation of the Pons Sublicius, over which Hor. Cocles pass'd; here ankor 3 or 4 water-mills invented by Belizarius: and thence had another sight of the Farnesi's gardens†, and of the tarrace where is that admirable paynting of Raphael being a *Cupid playing with a Dolphin*, wrought à fresca, preserv'd in shutters of wainscott, as well it merites, being certainly one of the most wonderful pieces of worke in the world.

14 Feb. I went to S^a Cecilia, a church built and endow'd by Card^r. Sfrondæti, who has erected a stately altar neere the body of this martyr, not long before found in a vesture of silk girt about, a veile on her head, and the bloody scarrs of 3 wounds on the neck; the body is now in a silver chest, wth her statue over it in snow-white marble. Other Saints lie here decorated with splendid ornaments, lamps, and incensories of greate cost. A little farther they shew us the Bathes of St. Cecilia, to wth joynes a Convent of Friars, where is the picture of the *Flagellation* by Vanni, and the columns of the Portico taken from the Bathes of Septimius Severus.

15 Feb. Mr. Henshaw and I walked by the Tyber and visited the Stola Tybertina (now St. Bartholomew's), formerly cut in the shape of a ship, and wharfed with marble, in which a lofty obelisq represented the mast. In the Church of St. Bartholomew is the body of the Apostle. Here are the ruines of the Temple of Asculapius, now converted into a stately Hospital and a pretty Convent. Opposite to it is the Convent and Church of St. John Calabita, where I saw nothing

retrayable gave an old broken altar. Here was the Temple of Fortuna Virilis. Hence we went to a cupola, now a Church, formerly dedicated to the Sun. Opposite to it S^a Maria Schola Graeca, where formerly that tongue was taught, said to be the second Church dedicated in Rome to the Bl. Virgin, bearing also the title of a Cardinalat. Behind this stands the greate altar of Hercules, much demolish'd. Neere this, being at the foote of Mount Aventine, are the Pope's salt-houses. Ascending the hill we came to St. Sabina, an ancient fabric, formerly sacred to Diana; there in a Chapel is an admirable picture, the work of Livia Fontana, set about with columns of alabaster, and in the middle of the Church is a stone, cast as they report, by the Devil at St. Dominic whilst he was at masse. Hence we travelled towards an heape of rubbish called the *Marmorata* on the bank of the Tyber, a magazine of stones, and neere which formerly stood a triumphal arch in honor of Horatius vanquishing the Tuscans. The ruines of the bridg yet appeare.

We were now got to Mons Testaceus, an heape of potshards almost 200 foote high, thought to have ben amassed and thrown there by the subjects of the Commonwealth bringing their tribute in earthen vessels, others (more probably) that it was a quarter of the towne where potters lived; at the sum't Rome affords a noble prospect. Before it is a spacious greene called the Hippodrom, where Olympic games were celebrated, and the people muster'd, as in our London Artillerie-ground. Going hence to the old wall of the Citty, we much admir'd the pyramid or tomb of C. Cestius, of white marble, one of the most ancient intire monuments, inserted in the wall, with this inscription.

"C. Cestius L. F. Pob. Epulo (an order of priests) Pr. Tr. pl. VII. Vir. Epulonum."

And a little beneath:

"Opus absolutum ex testamento diebus CCCXXX. arbitratu. Pontif. P. F. Cl. Melæ Heredis et Pothi L."

At the left hand is the Port of St. Paule, once Tergemina, out of which the 3 Horatii pass'd to encounter the Curiati of Alba. Hence bending homewards by St. Saba, by Antoninus's Bathes (which

(we enter'd) is the marble Sepulchre of Vespasian. The thickness of the walls and stately ruines shew the enormous magnitude of these Bathes. Passing by a corner of the Circus Maximus, we view'd the place where stood the Septizonium, demolish'd by Sixtus V. for feare of its falling. Going by M. Cœlius, we beheld the devotions of St. Maria in Navicula, so nam'd from a ship car'd out in white marble standing on a pedestal before it, suppos'd to be the vowe of one escaped from shipwreck. It has a glorious front to the streete. Adjoining to this are the Horti Mathæi, which only of all the places about y^e Citty I omitted visiting, tho' I was told inferiour to no garden in Rome for statues, ancient monumets, aviaries, fountaines, groves, and especially a noble obelisk, and maintain'd in beauty at the expense of 6600 crownes yearly, which if not expended to keepe up its beauty forfeits the possession of a greater revenue to another family; so curious are they in their villas and places of pleasure, even to excesse.

The next day we went to the once famous Circus Caracalla, in the midst of which there now lay prostrate one of the most stately and ancient Obelisks, full of Ægyptian hieroglyphics. It was broken into 4 pieces when o'rethrowne by the Barbarians, and would have ben purchas'd and transported into England by the magnificent Thomas Earle of Arundel, could it have ben well remov'd to the sea. This is since set together and placed on the stupenduous artificial rock made by Innocent X. and serving for a fountaine in Piazza Navona, the worke of Bernini, the Pope's Architect. Neere this is the Sepulchre of Metellus, of masay stone, pretty entire, now cal'd Capo di Bove. Hence to a small Oratorie nam'd *Domine quo vadis*, where the tradition is, that our B. Saviour met St. Peter as he fled, and turn'd him back againe.

St. Sebastians was the next, a meane structure (the faciata excepted) but is venerable especially for the reliques and grotts in w^{ch} lie the ashes of many holy men. Here is kept the pontifical chaire sprinkled wth the blood of Pope Stephen, tow^{ch} greate devotion is paid; also a well full of Martyrs' bones, and the sepulchre of St. Sebastian, with one of the strokes [used in shooting blin]; these are preserved by the Fulgentine Monks, who have here their Monasterie, and who led us down into a grotto which they affirm'd went divers furlongs under ground; the sides

or walls wh^eb we passed were fill'd with bones and dead bodies, laid as it were on shelves, whereof some were shut up w^t broad stones, and now and then a crosse or a palme cut in them. At the end of some of these subterranean passages were square roome with altars in them, said to have ben the receptacles of primitive Christians in the times of persecution, nor seems it improbable.

17 Feb. I was invited after dinner to the Academie of the Humorists, kept in a spacious hall belonging to Sign^r Mancini, where the Witts of the towne meeet on certaine daies to recite poems, and debate on severall subjects. The first y^e speaks is cal'd the Lord, and stands in an eminent place, and then the rest of the Virtuosi recite in order. By these ingenious exercises, besides the learn'd discourses, is the purity of the Italian tongue daily improv'd. The roome is hung round with devises or emblemes, w^t mottos under them. There are severall other Academies of this nature, bearing like fantastical titles. In this of the Humorists is the picture of Guarini, the famous author of the Pastor Fido, once of this society. The cheife part of the day we spent in hearing the academic exercises.

18 Feb. We walked to St. Nicholas in Carceri; it has a faire front, and within are parts of y^e bodys of St. Mark and Marcellino; on the Tribuna is a painting of Gentileschi, and the altar of Caval. Beglioni, with some other rare paintings. Coming round from hence we passed by the Circus Flaminius, formerly very large, now totaly in ruines. In the afternoon we visited the English Jesuites, with whose Superior, P. Stafford, I was well acquainted; who received us courteously. They call their Church and College *St. Thomasso de gli Inglesi*, and is a Seminarie. Amongst other trifles they shew the relicq of Beckett, their reputed Martyr. Of paintings there is one of Durants, and many representing the sufferings of severall of their society executed in England, especialey F. Champion.

In the Hospital of the Pelerini delle S. Trinita I had seen the feete of many pilgrims wash'd by Princes, Cardinals, and Noble Romans, and serv'd at table, as the Ladies and Noble Women did to other poore creatures in another roome. Twas told us that no less than five hundred fourty-four thousand men had ben thus treated in the Jubilee.

of 1600, and 25,500 women, as appears by the Register, w^{ch} brings a store of money.

Returning homeward I saw the Palace of Cardinal Spada, where is a most magnificent hall painted by Daniel da Volterra and Giulio Pia-centino, who made the fret in the little Court; but the rare perspectives are of Bolognesi. Neere this is the Monte Pieta, instituted as a Bank for the Poore, who, if the sum be not greate, may have mony upon pawns, &c. To this joynes St. Martino, to w^{ch} belongs a Schola or Corporation that do many works of charity. Hence we came through *Campo di Fiori*, or Herb Market, in the midst of which is a fountaine casting water out of a dolphin in coper; and in this Piazza is common execution don.

I went this afternoone to visite my Lord John Somerset, brother to the Marques of Worcester, who had his appartement in Palazzo della Cancellaria, belonging to Cardinal Francesco Barberini as Vice-chancellor of the Church of Rome and Protector of the English. The building is of the famous Architect Bramante, of incrusted marble, with 4 ranks of noble lights; the principal enterance is of Fontana's designe, and all of marble; the portico within sustain'd by massie columns; ou the second peristyle above, the chambers are rarely painted by Salviati and Visari; and so ample is this Palace that 6 Princes with their families have ben receiv'd in it at one time, without incommoding each other.

20 Feb. I went (as was my usual costome) and spent an afternoone in Piazzo Navona, as well to see what antiquities I could purchase among the people who hold mercat thers for medaills, pictures, and such curiosities, as to heare the Montebanks prate and distribute their medicines. This was formerly the Circus of *Agonales*, dedicated to sports and pastimes, and is now the greatest mercat of y^e City, having three most noble fountaines, and the stately Palaces of the Pamfili, St. Giacomo de Spagnoli belonging to that nation, to which add two Convents for Friars and Nuns, all Spanish. In this Church was erected a most stately Catafalco, or *Capella ardente*, for the death of the Queen of Spaine; the Church was hung with black, and heare I heard a Spanish sermon or funebral oration, and observed the statues,

devices, and impresaes hung about the walls, the Church and Pyramid stuck with thousands of lights and tapers, which made a glorious shew. The statue of St. James is by Sansovino; there are also some good pictures of Caracci. The facciata too is faire. Returning home I pass'd by the stumps of old Pasquin at the corner of a streete call'd Strada Pontificia; here they still past up their drolling lampoons, and scurrilous papers. This had formerly been one of the best statutes for workmanship and art in all the Citty, as the remaining bust does still shew.

21 Feb. I walked in the morning up the hill towards the Capuchins, where was then Cardinal Onufrio (brother to the late Pope Urban VIII.) of the same order. He built them a pretty Church, full of rare pictures, and there lies the body of St. Felix, that they say still does miracles. The piece at y^e great altar is by Lanfranc. 'Tis a lofty edifice, with a beautifull avenue of trees, and in a good sire. After dinner passing along the Strada del Carso, I observed the column of Antoninus passing under Arco Portugallo, which is but a relic, heretofore erected in honor of Domitian, cal'd now Portugallo from a Cardinal living neere it. A little further on the right hand stands the column, in a small piazza, heretofore set up in honor of M. Aurelius Antosius, comprehending in a basse-relievo of white marble his hostil acts against the Parthians, Armenians, Germans, &c. but it is now somewhat decay'd. On the sum'it has been placed the image of St. Paule of gilded copper. The pillar is said to be 161 foote high, ascended by 207 steps, receiving light by 56 apertures, without defacing the sculpture.

At a little distance are the reliques of the Emperors Palace, the heads of whose pillars shew them to have ben Corinthian.

Turning a little down we came to another piazza, in which stands a sumptuous vase of porphyrie, and a faire fountaine; but the grace of this market, and indeede the admiration of the whole world, is the Pantheon, now called S. Maria della Rotonda, formerly sacred to all the Gods, and still remaining the most entire antiquitie of the Citty. It was built by Marcus Agrippa, to receive the architrave of the portico sustai'nd by 13 pillars of Thessalian marble, 6 foote thick and 53 in height of one intire stone. In this porch is an old inscription.

Entering the Church we admire the fabric, wholly cover'd with one cupola, seemingly suspended in the aire, and receiving light by a hole in the middle onely. The structure is neare as high as broad, viz. 144 foote, not counting the thicknesse of the walls, w^{ch} is 22 more to the top, all of white marble, and til Urban VIII. converted part of the metell into ordnance to warr against the Duke of Parma, and part to make the high altar in St. Peters, it was all over cover'd with Corinthian brasse, ascending by 40 degrees within the roof or convex of the cupola, richly carved with octagous in the stone. There are niches in the walls, in w^{ch} stood heretofore the statues of Jupiter and the other Gods and Goddesses; for here was that Venus which had hung in her ear the other Union* that Cleopatra was about to dis-solve and drink up as she had done its fellow. There are severall of these niches one above another for the celestial, terrestrial, and subterranean deities, but the place is now converted into a Church dedicated to the B. Virgin and all the Saints. The pavement is excellent, and the vast folding gates of Corinthian brasse. In a word, tis of all the Roman antiquities the most worthy of notice. There lie interr'd in this Temple the famous Raphael da Urbino, Perino del Vaga, F. Zuccharo, and other painters.

Returning homie we passe by Cardinal Cajetan's Palace, a noble piece of architecture of Vincenzo Ammanatti; w^{ch} is the grace of the whole Corso.

22 Feb. I went to Trinita del Monte, a monasterie of French, a noble Church built by Lewis XI. and Charles VIII. the Chapells well painted, especialy that by Zuccari, Volterra, and the cloyster w^{ch} the miracles of their St. Francis di Paulo and the heads of the French

And in the cup an union shall he throw,
Richer than that which four successive kings
In Denmark's crown have worn.

Shakespeare, Hamlet, Act V. Sc. 2; ed. Johnson and Steevens.

Dictionnaire says, an union is the finest sort of pearl, and has its place in all crowns and coronets. Somewhat cited from Solliman and Perveda—"Ay, were it Cleopatra's action"—adding the following elucidation of the term from P. Holland's Translation of Pliny's Natural History: " And hereupon it is that our deities and delicate herbs at Rome, &c. call them unions, as a man would say Negros and by themselves alone." EDIT.

Kings. In y^e pergolo above, the walls are wrought with excellent perspective, especialy the St. John; there are the Babylonish dials invented by Kircher the Jesuite. This Convent so eminently situated on Mons Pincius, has the intire prospect of Campus Martius, and has a faire garden which joynes to the Palazzo di Medici.

23d. I went to heare a sermon at St. Giacomo de gli Incurabili, a faire Church built by F. Volaterra, of good arthitecture, and so is the Hospital, where only desperate patients are brought. I pass'd the evening at St. Maria del Popolo, heretofore Nero's sepulchre, where his ashes lay many yeares in a marble chest. To this Church joynes the Monasterie of St. Augustine, w^{ch} has pretty gardens on Mons Pincius, and in the Church is the miraculous shrine of the Madona w^{ch} Pope Paul III. brought barefooted to the place, supplicating for a victory over the Turks in 1464. In a Chapell of the Ghisi are some rare paintings of Raphael and noble sculptures. Those two in the Choire are by Sansovino, and in the Chapel de Cerasii a piece of Caravaggio. Here lie buried many greate scholars and artists, of which I tooke notice of this inscription:

Hospes, disce novum mortis genus; improba felis,
Dum trahitur, digitum mordet, et intereo.

Opposite to the faciata of the Church is a superb obelisc full of hieroglyphics, the same that Scuinesertus K. of Egypt dedicated to the Sun, brought to Rome by Augustus, erected in the Circus Maximus, and since placed here by Pope Sixtus V. It is 88 foote high, of one intire stone, and placed wth greate art and engines by the famous Domenico Fontana.

Hence turning on the right out of the Porto del Popolo, we came to Justinian's gardens neere the Muro torto, so prominently built as threatening every moment to fall, yet standing so for these thousand yeares. Under this is the burying place for the com'on prostitutes, where they are put into the ground *sans ceremonie*.

24 Feb. We walked to St. Roches and Martines neere the brink of the Tyber, a large Hospital for both sexes. Hence to the Mausoleum Augusti 'twixt the Tyber and the Via Flaminia, now much ruin'd.

which had formerly contended for its sumptuous architecture. It was intended as a cemeterie for the Roman Emperors, had twelve ports, and was cover'd with a cupola of white marble, environ'd with stately trees and innumerable statues, all of it now converted into a garden. We pass'd the afternoon at the Sapienza, a very stately building full of good marbles, especialy the Portico, of admirable architecture. These are properly the Universitie Scholes, where lectures are read on law, medicine, and anatomie, and students perform their exercises.

Hence we walk'd to St. Andrea della Valle neere the former Theater of Pompey, and the famous Piccolomini, but given to this Church and the Order who are Theatines. The Barberini have in this place a Chapell, of curious incrusted marbles of severall sorts, and rare paintings. Under it is the place where St. Sebastian is said to have ben beaten with rods before he was shot with darts. The cupola is paynted by Lanfranc, an inestimable work, and the whole fabric and Monastery adjoining are admirable.

25 Feb. I was invited by a Dominican Frier, whom we usually heard preach to a number of Jewes, to be god-father to a converted Turk and Jew. The ceremonie was perform'd in the Church of S^a Maria sopra la Minerva, neere the Capitol. They were clad in white, then exorcis'd at their entering the Church with abundance of ceremonies, and when led into the Choir were baptiz'd by a Bishop *in pontificalibus*. The Turk lived afterwards in Rome, sold hot waters, and would bring us presents when he met us, kneeling and kissing the hemm's of our cloaks; but the Jew was believ'd to be a counterfeit. This Church, situate on a spacious rising, was formerly consecrated to Minerva. Tis well built and richly adorn'd, and the body of St. Catherine di Sienna lies buried here. The paintings of y^e Chapel are by Marcello Venuti; the *Madona* over the altar is by Giov. di Fiesole, cal'd the Angelic Painter, who was of the Order of these Monks. There are many charities dealt publicly here, especialy at the Proces-sion on the Annunciation, when I saw his Holinesse, with all the Cardinals, Prelates, &c. *in pontificalibus*; dowries being given to 300 more girls all clad in white. The Pope had his tiara on his head, and was carried on mens shoulders in an open arm-chaire, blessing the

people as he pass'd. The statue of Christ at the Column is esteem'd one of the master-pieces of M. Angelo: innumerable are the paintings by the best artists, and the organ is accounted one of y^e sweetest in Rome. Cardinal Bentivogio is interred here. We return'd by St. Marco, a stately Church, with an excellent pavement, and a fine piece by Perugino, of the *two Martyrs*. Adjoyning to this is a noble Palace built by the famous Bramanti.

26 Feb. Ascending the hill we came to the Forum Trajanum, where his column stands yet intire, wrought with admirable bass-relievo recording the Dacian war, the figures at the upper part appearing of the same proportion with those below. 'Tis ascended by 192 steps, enlightened with 44 apertures or windows, artificialy dispos'd; in height from the pedestal 140 foote.

It had once the ashes of Trajan and his statue, where now stands St. Peter's of gilt brasse, erected by Pope Sixtus V. The sculpture of this stupendious pillar is thought to be the work of Apollodorus; but what is very observable is the descent to the plinth of the pedestale, shewing how this ancient Cittie lies now buried in her ruines, this monument being at first set up on a rising ground. After dinner we took the aire in Cardinal Bentivoglio's delicious gardens, now but newly deceas'd. He had a faire Palace built by several good masters on part of the ruines of Constantine's Bathes: well adorn'd wth columns and paintings, especialy those of Guido Rheni.

27 Feb. In the morning Mr. Henshaw and my selfe walked to the Trophies of Marius, erected in honour of his victory over the Cimbrians, but these now taken out of their niches are plac'd on the balusters of the Capitol, so that their ancient station is now a ruine. Keeping on our way we came to St. Crosse of Jerusalem, built by Constantine over the demolition of the Temple of Venus and Cupid, which he threw down; and 'twas here they report he deposited the wood of the true Crosse found by his mother Helena in honore whereof this Church was built, and in memory of his victory over Maxentius when that holy signe appear'd to him. The edifice without is nothing but very glorious within, especialy the roope, and one tribute well painted. Here is a Chapel dedicated to St. Helen, the floors wheroff is of earth.

brought from Jerusalem; the walls are of faire Mosaic, in which they suffer no women to enter it save once a yeare. Under the high altar of the Church is buried St. Anastasius, in Lydian marble, and Benedict VII. and they shew a number of reliques, expos'd at our request, with a phial of our B. Saviour's blood; two thornes of his Crowne: three chips of the real Crosse; one of the naiiles, wanting a point; St. Thomas's doubting finger; and a fragment of the title [put on the Cross], being part of a thin board; some of Judas's pieces of silver, and many more, if one had faith to believe it. To this venerable Church joynes a Monasterie, the gardens taking up the space of an ancient amphitheater. Hence we pass'd beyond the walls out at the Port of St. Laurence to that Saint's Church, and where his ashes are ensbrin'd. This was also built by the same great Constantine, famous for the Coronation of Pietro Altisiodorensis, Emperor of Constantinople, by Honorius the Second. 'Tis sayd the corps of St. Stephen the proto-martyr was deposited here by that of St. Sebastian, which it had no sooner touch'd but Sebastian gave it place of its own accord. The Church has no lesse than 7 privileg'd altars and excellent pictures. About the walls are painted this martyr's sufferings, and when they built them, the bones of divers Saints were translated to other Churches. The front is Gotic. In our return we saw a small ruine of an aquæduct built by Q. Marcius the prætor; and so pass'd thro' that incomparable strait streete leading to S^a Maria Maggiore, to our lodging, sufficiently tired.

We were taken up next morning in seeing the impertinences of the Carnival, when all the world are as mad at Rome as at other places: but the most remarkable were the 3 races of the Barbarie horses, that run in the Strada del Corso without riders, onely having spurrs so placed on their backs, and hanging downe by their sides, as by their motion to stimulate them; then of mares, then of asses, of buffalos, naked men, old and young, and boys, and abouundance of idle ridiculous passetime. One thing is remarkable, their acting comedies on a stage placed on a cart, or *plastrum*, where the scene or tiring-place is made of boughs in a rural manner, which they drive from streete to streete

with a yoke or two of oxen, after the ancient guise. The streets swarm w^t prostitutes, buffoones, and all maner of rabbler.

1 March. At the Greeke Church we saw y^e Eastern ceremonies perform'd by a Bishop, &c. in that tongue. Here the unfortunate Duke and Dutchess of Bullion received their ashes, it being the first day of Lent; there was now as much trudging up and downe of devotees as the day before of licentious people, all Saints alike to appearance.

The gardens of Justinian, which we next visited, are very full of statues and antiquities, especialy urnes, amongst which is that of Min. Felix; a Terminus that formerly stood in the Appian Way, and a huge colosse of the Emperor Justinian. There is a delicate aviarie on the hill; the whole gardens furnish'd with rare collections, fresh, shady, and adorn'd w^t noble fountaines. Continuing our walke a mile further, we came to Pons Milvius, now Mela, where Constantine overthrew Maxentius, and saw the miraculous signe of the Crosse, "in hoc signo vinces." It was a sweete morning, and the bushes were full of nightingals. Hence to Aqua Claudia againe, an aqueduct finish'd by that Emperor at the expence of 8 millions. In the afternoone to Farneze's gardens, neere the Campo Vaccino; and upon the Palatine Mount to survey the ruines of Juno's Temple in the Piscina, a Piazza so call'd neere the famous bridg built by Antoninus Pius and re-edified by Pope Sixtus IV.

The rest of this weeke we went to the Vatican, to heare the sermons at St. Peter's of the most famous preachers, who discourse on the same subjects and texts yearly, full of Italian eloquence and action. On our Lady-day, 25 March, we saw the Pope and Cardinals ride in pomp to the Minerva, the greate guns of the Castle St. Angelo being fired, when he gives portions to 500 xitelle [young women], who kisse his feete in procession, some destin'd to marry, some to be nuns. The scholars of the Colledge celebrating the B. Virgin with their compositions. The next day his Holiness was buried in blessing golden roses, to be sent to severall greate Princes; the Procurator of the Carmelites preaching on our Savior's feeding the multitudine with 5 loaves, the ceremony ends. The Sacrament being this day expos'd and the reliques of the Holy

Crosse, the concourse about the streetes is extraordinarie. On Palm Sunday there was a greate procession after a papal masse.

11 April. St. Veronica's handkercheif [with the impression of our Saviour's face] was expos'd; and the next day the speare, with a world of ceremonie. On Holy Thursday the Pope said masse, and afterwards carried the Host in procession about the Chapell, with an infinitie of tapers; this finish'd, his Holinesse was carried in his open chaire on men's shoulders to the place where, reading the Bull *in Cena Domini*, he both curses and blesses all in a breath; then the guns are againe fired. Hence he went to the Ducal hall of the Vatican, where he wash'd the feete of 12 poore men, with almost the same ceremonie as 'tis don at Whitehall; they have clothes, a dinner, and almes, w^{ch} he gives with his owne hands, and serves at their table; they have also gold and silver medallies, but their garments are of white wollen long robes, as we paint the Apostles. The same ceremonies are don by y^e Conservators and other Officers of State at St. John de Lateran; and now the table on w^{ch} they say our Blessed Lord celebrated his last supper, is set out, and the heads of the Apostles. In every famous Church they are busy in dressing up their pageantries to represent the Holy Sepulchre, of which we went to visite divers.

On Good Friday we went againe to St. Peter's, where the Handkerchief, Launce, and Crosse were all expos'd and worshipp'd together. All the confession-seates were fill'd with devout people, and at night was a procession of several who most lamentably whipped themselves till the blood stained their clothes, for some had shirts, others upon the bare back, having vizors and masks on their faces; at every 3 or 4 steps dashing the knotted and ravelled whipcord over their shoulders, as hard as they could lay it on, whilst some of the religious orders and fraternities sung in a dismal tone, the lights and crosses going before, making altogether a horrible and indeede heathenish pompe.

The next day there was much ceremony at St. John de Lateran, so as the whole weeke was spent in running from Church to Church, all the towne in busie devotion, greate silence, and unimaginable supererotion.

Easter-day I was awaken'd by the guns from St. Angelo: we went to

St. Peter's, where the Pope himselfe celebrated masse, shew'd the reliques before named, and gave a publiq benediction.

Monday we went to heare music in the Chiesa Nova, and tho' there were abundance of ceremonies at the other greate Churches, and greate exposure of reliques, yet being wearied with sights of this nature, and the season of the yeare, summer, at Rome being very dangerous by reason of the heates, minding us of returning Northwards, we spent the rest of our time in visiting such places as we had not yet sufficiently seene; onely I do not forget the Pope's benediction of the *Confalone*, or Standard, and giving the hallowed palmes; and on May-day the greate procession of the Universitie and the Mulatiers at St. Antonie's, and their setting up a foolish May-pole in the Capitol, very ridiculous. We therefore now tooke coach a little out of towne, to visito the famous Roma soterranea, being much like what we had seen at St. Sebastian's. Here in a cornfield, guided by two torches, we crept on our bellies into a little hole, about 20 paces, which delivered us into a large entrie that led us into several streetes or allies, a good depth in the bowells of the earth, a strange and fearesfull passage for divers miles, as Bosio has measured and described them in his book *. We ever and anon came into pretty square rooines, that seem'd to be Chapells with altars, and some adori'd with very ordinary ancient painting. Many skeletons and bodies are plac'd on the sides one above the other in degrees like shelves, whereof some are shut up with a coarse flat stone, having engraven on them *Pro Christo*, or a Cross and Palmer, w^{ch} are supposed to have been martyrs. Here, in all likelihood, were the meetings of the primitive Christians during the persecutions, as Pliny the younger describes them. As I was prying about, I found a glasse phiale, fill'd as was conjectur'd with dried blood, and 2 lachrymatories. Many of the bodies, or rather bones (for there appear'd nothing else) lay so intire as if plac'd by the art of the chirurgeon, but being only touched fell all to dust. Thus after wandering two or three miles in this subterranean meander, we return'd almost blind when we came into the day-light, and even choked by the smoake of the torches.

* Intituled *Roma Sotterranea*, folio, Rom. 1639.

It is said that a French Bishop and his retinue adventuring too far in these dens, their lights going out, were never heard of more.

We were entertain'd at night with an English play at the Jesuites, where we before had dined; and the next at Prince Galicano's, who himself composed the musiq to a magnificent opera, where were present Cardinal Pamphilio the Pope's nephew, the Gouvernors of Rome, the Cardinals, ambassadors, ladies, and a number of nobility and strangers. There had been in the morning a Just and Tournament of severall young gentlemen on a formal defy, to which we had been invited: the prizes being distributed by the ladies after the knight-errantry way. The launcers and swordsmen running at tilt against the barriers, with a greate deale of clatter, but without any bloodshed, giving much diversion to the spectators, and was new to us travellers.

*The next day Mr. Henshaw and I spent the morning in attending the entrance and cavalcade of Card. Medici, the Ambass' from the Grand Duke of Florence, by the Via Flaminia. After dinner we went again to see the Villa Borghesi, about a mile without the Cittie; the garden is rather a park or paradise, contriv'd and planted with walkes and shades of myrtles, cypresse and other trees and groves, with abundance of fountaines, statues, and bass-relievos, and several pretty murmuring rivulets. Here they had hung large netts to catch woodcock. There was also a *Vivarie*, where amongst other exotic fowles was an ostridge; besides a most capacious aviarie; and in another inclosed part, an herd of deer. Before the palace (which might become the courte of a great prince) stands a noble fountaine of white marble, enrich'd with statues. The outer walls of the house are incrusted with excellent antique basse-relievos of the same marble, incornish'd with festoons and niches set with statues from the foundation to the roose. A stately Portico joynes the palace, full of statues and coluruns of marble, urnes and other curiosities of sculpture. In the first hall were the 12 Caesars of antiqu marble, and the whole apartments furnish'd with pictures of the most celebrated masters, and two rare tables of porphyrie of greate value. But of this already *, for I often visited this delicious place.

This night were glorious fire-works at the palace of Card^r Medici before the gate, and lights of several colours all about the windows through the Cittie, which they contrive by setting the candles in little paper lanterns died with various colours, placing hundreds of them from storie to storie, which renders a gallant shew.

4 May. Having seen the entrie of y^e Ambass^r of Lucca, I went to the Vatican, where, by favour of our Cardinal Protector, Fran. Barberini, I was admitted into the Consistorie, heard the Ambass^r make his oration in Latine to the Pope, sitting on an elevated state or throne, and changing two pontifical miters; after which I was presented to kisse his toe, that is, his embroder'd slipper, two Cardinals holding up his vest and surplice, and then being sufficiently bless'd with his thumb and two fingers for that day, I return'd home to dinner.

We went againe to see the medaills of Sig^r Gotefredi, which are absolutely the best collection in Rome.

Passing the Ludovisia Villa, where the petrified human figure lies, found on the snowy Alps; I measured the Hidra, and found it not a foot long; the three necks and 15 heads seeme to be but patch'd up with several pieces of serpents skins.

5 May. We tooke coach, and went 15 miles out of the Cittie to Frascati, formerly Tusculanum, a villa of Card^r Aldobrandini, built for a country-house, but surpassing, in my opinion, the most delicious places I ever beheld for its situation, elegance, plentifull water, groves, ascents, and prospects. Just behiud the palace (w^{ch} is of excellent architecture) in the center of y^e inclosure rises an high hill or mountaine all over clad with tall wood, and so form'd by nature as if it had been cut out by art, from the sum'it whereof falls a cascade, seeming rather a greate river than a stremme precipitating into a large theater of water, representing an exact and perfect rainerbow when the sun shines out. Under this is made an artificiall grott, wherein are curious rocks, hydraulic organs, and all sorts of singing birds moving and chirping by force of the water, with severall other pageants and surprising inventions. In the center of one of these roomees rises a coper ball that continually daunces about 3 foote above the pavement by virtue of a wind conveyed secretly to a hole beneath it; with many other devices

to wett the unwary spectators, so that one can hardly step without wetting to the skin. In one of these theaters of water is an Atlas sputting up the streame to a very great heighth; and another monster makes a terrible roaring with an horn; but above all, the representation of a storm is most naturall, with such fury of raine, wind, and thunder, as one would imagine ones self in some extreame tempest. The garden has excellent walkes and shady groves, abundance of rare fruit, oranges, lemons, &c. and the goodly prospect of Rome, above all description, so as I do not wonder that Cicero and others have celebrated this place with such encomiums. The palace is indeed built more like a cabinet than any thing compos'd of stone and mortar; it has in the middle a hall furnish'd with excellent marbles and rare pictures, especially those of Gioseppi d'Arpino; the moveables are princely and rich. This was the last piece of architecture finish'd by Giacomo de la Porta, who built it for Pietro Card^t Aldobrandini in the time of Clement VIII.*

We went hence to another house and garden not far distant, on the side of a hill called Mondragone, finish'd by Card^t Scipio Borghese, an ample and kingly edifice. It has a very long galerie, and at the end a theater for pastimes, spacious courts, rare grotts, vineyards, olive grounds, groves, and solitudes. The aire is so fresh and sweete, as few parts of Italy exceed it; nor is it inferior to any palace in the cittie it selfe for statues, pictures, and furniture; but it growing late we could not take such particular notice of these things as they deserv'd.

6 May. We rested ourselves; and next day in a coach tooke our last farewell of visiting the circumjacent places, going to Tivoli or the old Tyburtine. At about 6 miles from Rome we passe the Teverone, a bridge built by Mammea y^e mother of Severus, and so by divers ancient sepulchres, amongst others that of Valerius Volusi; and neere it passe the stinking sulphurous river over the Ponte Lucano, where we found an heape or turret full of inscriptions, now call'd the Tomb of Plautius. Arriy'd at Tivoli we went first to see the Palace d'Este erected on a plaine, but where was formerly au hill. The palace is very

* Cardinal Hippolito Aldobrandini was elected Pope in January 1692 by the name of Clement VIII, and died in March 1695.

ample and stately. In the garden on the right hand are 16 vast conchas of marble jetting out waters; in the midot of these stands a Janus quadrifrons, y^e cast forth 4 girandolas, call'd from the resemblance [to a particular exhibition in fireworks so named] the Fontana di Specchio [looking-glass.] Neere this is a place for tilting. Before the acent of y^e palace is the famous fountaine of Leda, and not far from that 4 sweete and delicious gardens. Descending thence are two pyramids of water, and in a grove of trees neere it the fountains of Tethys, Esculapius, Arethusa, Pandora, Pomona, and Flora; then the prancing Pegasus, Bacchus, the Grott of Venus, the two Colosses of Melicerta, and Sibylla Tibertina, all of exquisite marble, copper, and other suitable adornments. The Cupids pouring out water are especially most rare, and the urnes on which are plac'd the 10 nymphs. The Grotts are richly pav'd wth Pietra Commessa, shells, corall, &c.

Towards Roma Triumphantis leades a long and spacious walk, full of fountains, under which is historized the whole Ovidian Metamorphosis in rarely sculptur'd *mezzo reliefo*. At the end of this, next the wall, is y^e Cittie of Rome as it was in its beauty, of small models, representing that Cittie, with its Amphitheaters, Naumachia, Thermae, Temples, Arches, Aqueducts, Streetes, and other magnificences, with a little stremme running thro' it for the Tyber, gushing out of an urne next the statue of y^e river. In another garden is a noble aviarie, the birds artificial, and singing till an owle appeares, on which they suddainly change their notes. Near this is the fountaine of Dragons casting out large streames of water with great noises. In another Grotto called *Grotto di Natura*, is an hydraulic organ; and below this are divers stews and fish-pounds, in one of which is the statue of Neptune in his chariot on a sea-horse, in another a Triton; and lastly a garden of simples. There are besides in the palace many rare statues and pictures, bedsteds richly inlaid, and sundry other precious moveables; the whole is said to have cost the best part of a million. Having gratified our curiositie with these artificial miracles, and din'd, we went to see the so famous natural precipice and cascade of the river Anio, rushing down from the mountaines of Tivoli, with that fury that, what with the mist it perpetually casts up by the breaking of the water against the rocks, and what with

the sun shiping on it and forming a natural Iris, the prodigious depth of the gulph below, it is enough to astonish one that looks on it. Upon the sum'ite of this rock stand the ruines and some pillars and cornishes of the temple of Sibylla Tybertina, or Albunea, a round fabrie, still discovering some of its pristine beauty. Here was a greate deal of gunpowder drying in the sun, and a little beneath, mills belonging to the Pope.

And now we returned to Rome. By the way we were shew'd at some distance the city Præneste, and the Hadrian Villa, now onely an heape of ruines, and so came late to our lodging.

We now determined to desist from visiting any more curiosities, except what should happen to come in our way when my companion Mr. Henshaw and myself should go to take the aire: ouely I may not omit that one afternoone, diverting ourselves in the Piazza Navona, a Montebank there to allure curious strangers, taking off a ring from his finger, w^{ch} seemed set with a dull, darke stone, a little swelling out, like w^t we call (tho' untruly) a toadstone, and wetting his finger a little in his mouth and then touching it, it emitted a luculent flame as bright and large as a small wax candle; then blowing it out, he repeated this several times. I have much regretted that I did not purchase the receipt of him for making that composition at what price soever; for tho' there is a processe in Jo. Baptista Porta and others how to do it, yet on severall trials they none of them have succeeded.

Amongst other observations I made in Rome are these: As to Coins and Medals, 10 *Asses* make the Roman *Denarius*, 5 the *Quinarius*, 10 *Denarii* an *Aureus*; which accompt runs almost exactly wth what is now in use of *Quatrini*, *Baioces*, *Julios*, and *Scudi*, each exceeding the other in the proportion of ten. The *Sestertius* was a small silver coynie marked *H. s.* or rather *L.L.*, valu'd 2 pound and half of silver, via. 250 *Denarii*, about 25 golden *Ducati*. The stamp of the Roman *Denarius* varied, having sometimes a Janus bifrons, the head of Roma armed, or with a charriot and two horses, which were call'd *Bigi*; if with 4, *Quadrigi*; if with a Victoria, so nam'd. The marke of the *Denarius* was distinguish'd ~~X~~ thus, or *X*; the *Quinarius* of halfe value, had on one side y^e head of Rome and *V*, the reverse Castor and Pollux on horseback, inscribed *Roma*, &c.

I observ'd that in the Greek Church they made the signe of the Crosse from the right hand to the left; contrary to the Latines and the Schismatic Grekes; gave the benediction with the first, second, and little finger stretched out, retaining the third bent down, expressing a distance of the third Person of the Holy Trinity from the first two.

For sculptors and architects we found Bernini and Algardi were in the greatest esteeme; Fiamingo as a statuary, who made the Andrea in St. Peter's, and is said to have died mad because it was placed in an ill light. Amongst the painters, Antonio de la Cornea, who has such an addresse of counterfeiting the hands of the ancient masters so well as to make his copies passe for originals; Pietro de Cortone, Mons. Poussine a Frenchman, and innumerable more. Fioravanti for armour, plate, dead life, tapistry, &c. The chiefe masters of music, after Marc Antonio the best trebble, is Cavalier Lauretto an eunuch; the next Card. Bichi's eunuch, Bianchi tenor, and Nicholai base. The Jewes in Rome wore red hatts til the Card. of Lions, being short-sighted, lately saluted one of them thinking him to be a Cardinal as he pass'd by his coach; on which an order was made that they should use only the yellow colour. There was now at Rome one Mrs. Ward, an English devotee, who much solicited for an Order of Jesuitesses.

At executions I saw one, a gentleman, hang'd in his cloak and batt for murder. They struck the malefactor w^t a club y^t first stunn'd him, and then cut his throat. At Naples they use a frame, like ours at Halifax (a guillotine).

It is reported that Rome has ben once no lesse than 50 miles in compass, now not 13, containing in it 3000 Churches and Chapells, Monasteries, &c. It is divided into 14 Regions or Wards; has 7 Mountaines, and as many Campi or Vally's; in these are faire Parks or Gardens call'd Villas, being onely places of recessse and pleasure, at some distance from the streetes, yet within the walls.

The Bills of Exchange I tooke up from my first entering Italy till I went from Rome amounted bat to 616 *ducati di Banco*, though I pur-chas'd many books, pictures, and curiosities.

18 May. I intended to have seen Loretto, but being disappointed of monies long expected, I was forc'd to returne by the same way.

came, desiring, if possible, to be at Venice by the Ascension, and therefore I diverted to take Legorne in the way, as well to furnish me wth credit by a merchant there, as to take order for transporting such collections as I had made at Rome. When on my way, turning about to behold this once and yet glorious Citty, from an eminence, I did not without some regret give it my last farewell.

Having takeu leave of our friends at Rome, where I had sojourn'd now about 7 moneths, Autumn, Winter, and Spring, I tooke coach in company with two courteous Italian Gentlemen. In the afternoone we arriv'd at an house, or rather castle, belonging to the Duke of Parma, called Caprarola *, situate on the brow of an hill that overlooks a little town, or rather a naturall and stupendous rock ; witnessse those vast caves serving now for cellarage, where we were entertain'd wth most generous wine of severall sorts, being just under the foundation. The Palace was built by y^e famous Architect Vignola at the cost of Card^l Alex^r. Farnese, in forme of an octagone, the court in the middle being exactly round, so as rather to resemble a fort or castle ; yet the chambers within are all of them square, which makes the walls exceeding thick. One of these rooms is so artificialy contriv'd that from the two opposite angles one may hear the least whisper ; they say any perfect square doe it. Most of the paintings are by Zuccari. It has a stately entrie, on which spouts an artificiall fountaine within the porch. The hally, chapell, and great number of lodging chambres are remarkable, but most of all the pictures and witty inventions of Hannibal Caracci ; the dead Christ is incomparable. Behind are the gardens full of statues and noble fountaines, especialy that of the Shepherds. After din'er we tooke horse, and lay that night at Montrosso, 20 miles from Rome.

19 May. We dined at Viterbo, and lay at St. Laurenzo. Next day at Radicofani, and slept at Turnera.

21. We dined at Sienna, where we could not passe admiring the greate Church + built intirely both within and without with white and black marble in polish'd squares, by Macarino, shewing so beautifull

* Caprarola. There is a large descriptive account published of this Palace, with magnitificent plates of the buildings, pictures, and statuary.

+ See p. 86.

after a shoure has fall'n. The floore within is various colour'd marbles, representing the stories of both Testaments admirably wrought. Here lies Pius the Second. The Bibliothee is painted by P. Peregrino and Raphael. The life of *Aeneas Sylvius* is in *fresco*; in the middle are the 3 Graces of antiqu marble, very curious, and the front of this building, tho' Gotic, is yet very fine. Amongst other things they shew St. Catharine's disciplining Cell, the doore whereof is half cut out into chippes by the pilgrimes and devotees, being of deale wood.

Setting out hence for Pisa, we went againe to see the Dome in which the Emperor Henry VII. lies buried, poison'd by a Monk in the Boncharist. The bending Tower was built by Busqueto Delichio, a Greecian architect, and is a stupendious piece of art*. In the gallery of curiosities is a faire mummy; the talle of a sea horse; corall growing on a man's skull; a chariot automaton; two pieces of rock chrystall, in one of which is a drop of water, in the other three or foure small wormes; two embalm'd children; divers petrifactions, &c. The garden of simples is well furnish'd, and has in it the deadly yew or *Tarus* of the ancients; wth Dr. Belluccio, the superintendant, affirmes that his workmen cannot endure to clip for above the space of halfe an houre at a time, from the paine of the head which surprises them.

We went hence for Ligorne by coach, where I took up 90 crownes for the rest of my journey, wth letters of credit for Veniee, after I had sufficiently complain'd of my defeate of correspondence at Rome.

The next day I came to Lucca, a small but pretty territorie and state of itself.—The Citty is neat and well fortified, with noble and pleasant walkes of trees on the workes, where the gentry and ladies use to take the aire. 'Tis situate on an ample plaine by the river Serchio, yet the country about it is hilly. The Senat-house is magnifieent. The Church of St. Michael is a noble piece, as is also St. Fredian, more remarkable to us for the corse of St. Richard, an English King†, who died here in his pilgrimage towards Rome. This epitaph is on his tomb.

* See pp. 78, 83, for other bending towers at Pisa and Florence.

† Who this Richard King of England was, it is impossible to say; the record will scarce, and has long been a crux to Antiquaries and Travellers.—Harrap.

Hic rex Richardus requiescit, sceptifer, almus:
 Rex fuit Anglorum, regnum tenet iste polorum.
 Regnum demisit pro Christo cuncta reliquit.
 Ergo Richardum nobis dedit Anglia sanctum.
 Hic genitor Sanctæ Wulburge Virginis almus
 Est Virillebaldi sancti simul et Vinebaldi,
 Suffragium quorum nobis det regna Polorum.

Next this we visited St. Crosses, an excellent structure, all of marble both without and within, and so adorn'd as may vie with many of the fairest even in Rome; witness the huge Crosse valued at £.15,000, above all venerable for that sacred volto which (as tradition goes) was miraculously put on the image of Christ, and made by Nicodemus, whilst the artist, finishing the rest of the body, was meditating what face to set on it. The inhabitants are exceedingly civill to strangers, above all places in Italy, and they speake y^e purest Italian. 'Tis also cheape living, which causes travellers to set up their rest here more than in Florence, tho' a more celebrated Citty; besides, the ladys here are very conversable, and the religious women not at all reserv'd; of these we bought gloves and embroidered stomachers generaly worn by gentlemen in these countries. The circuit of this state is but two easy days journey, and lies mixed with the Duke of Tuscany's, but having Spain for a Protector (tho' the least bigotted of all Roman Catholics), and being one of the best fortify'd Citties in Italy, it remains in peace. This whole country abounds in excellent olives, &c.

Going hence for Florence, we dined at Pistoia, where besides one church there was little observable: onely in the highway we crossed a rivolet of salt water tho' many miles from the sea. The country is extremely pleasant, full of gardens, and the roads straight as a line for the best part of that whole day, the hedges planted with trees at equal distances, watered with cleare and plentifull stremes.

Rising early the next morning we alighted at Poggio Imperiale, being a Palace of the Greate Duke, not far from y^e Citty, having omitted it in my passage to Rome. The ascent to the house is by a stately gallery w^t were of tall and overgrown cypresse trees for neere half a mile. At the enterance of these ranges are placed statues of the Tyber and Arno, of marble; those also of Virgil, Ovid, Petrarch, and Dante.

The building is sumptuous and curiously furnish'd within with cabinets of Pietra Commessa in tables, pavements, &c. which is a magnificence or work particularly affected at Florence. The larger pictures are, *Adam and Eve* by Albert Durer, very excellent; as is y^e piece of carving in wood by the same hand standing in a cupboard. Here is painted the whole Austrian line; the Duke's Mother, sister to the Emperor, the foundresse of this Palace, than which there is none in Italy that I had scene more magnificently adorn'd or furnish'd.

We could not omit in our passage to revisit the same and other curiosities which we had omitted at our first being at Florence. We went therefore to see the famous piece of Andrea del Sarto in y^e Annuciata; the storie is, that the Painter in a time of dearth borrow'd a sack of corne of the religious of that convent, and repayment being demanded, he wrought it out in this picture, which represents Joseph sitting on a sack of corn und reading to the B. Virgin; a piece infinitely valued. There fell down in the Cloister an old man's face painted on the wall in fresco, greatly esteem'd, and brake into crumbs; the Duke sent his best painters to make another instead of it, but none of them would presume to touch a pencil where Andrea had wrought, like another Apelles; but one of them was so industrious and patient, that, picking up the fragments, he laied and fastned them so artificially together, that the injury it had received was hardly discernable. Andrea del Sarto lies buried in the same place. Here is also that picture of Bartolomeo, who having spent his utmost skill in y^e face of y^e Angel Gabriel, and being troubl'd that he could not exceede it in the Virgin, he began the body and to finish the clothes, and so left it, minding in y^e morning to work on the face; but when he came, no sooner had he drawn away the cloth that was hung before it to preserve it from y^e dust, than an admirable and ravishing face was found ready painted, at which miracle all the City came in to worship; 'tis now kept in y^e Chapell of Salutation, a place so enrich'd by the devotees that none in Italy save Loretto is said to exceede it. This picture is always cover'd with 3 shutters, one of which is of massive silver; methinks it is very brown, the forehead and cheeke whiter, as if it had ben scraped. They report that those who have the honour of seeing it never lose their sight.

happy then we ! There is belonging to this Church a world of plate, some whole statues of it, and lamps innumerable, besides the costly voweis hung up, some of gold, and a cabinet of precious stones.

Visiting the Duke's repository againe, we told at least 40 ranks of porphyry and other statues, and 28 whole figures, many rare paintings and relievo's, 2 square columns wth trophies. In one of y^e galleries 24 figures and 50 antiq heads ; a Bacchus of M. Angelo, and one of Bandinelli ; a head of Bernini, and a most lovely Cupid of Parian marble ; at the further end, two admirable women sitting, and a man fighting wth a Centaur ; 3 figures in little of Andrea ; an huge candlestick of amber ; a table of Titian's painting, and another representing God y^e Father sitting in the aire on the 4 Evangelists ; animals ; divers smaller pieces of Raphael ; a piece of pure virgin gold as big as an egg. In the third chamber of rarities is the square cabinet valued at 80,000 crownes, shewing on every front a variety of curious work ; one of birds and flowers of Pietra Courmessa ; one, a descent from the crosse, of M. Angelo ; on the third our Bl. Saviour and the Apostles, of amber ; and on the 4th a crucifix of y^e same. Twixt the pictures two *naked Venus's* by Titian ; *Adam and Eve* by Durer ; and severall pieces of Pordenone and del Frate. There is a globe of 6 foote diameter. In the Armourie were an entire elk, a crocodile, and amongst y^e harnesses several targets and antiq horse armes, as that of Cha. V. Two set with turcoises and other precious stones ; a horse's taile of a wonderfull length. Then passing the Old Palace, which has a very greate hall for feasts and comedies, the roose rarely painted, and the side walls with 6 very large pictures representing batailes, the worke of Gio. Vassari. Here is a magazine full of plate ; a harness of emeralds ; the furnitures of an altar 4 foote high and six in length, of massy gold ; in the middle is placed the statue of Cosmo II, the bass relievo's of precious stones, his breeches cover'd wth diamonds ; the mouldings of this statue, and other ornaments, festoons, &c. are garnish'd with jewells and great pearls, dedicated to St. Charles, with this inscription in rubies :

Cosimus Secundus Dei gratia Magnus Dux Etruria, ex voto.

There is also a King on horseback of massy gold 2 foote high, and an infinity of such like rarities. Looking at the Justice in copper, set up

on a column by Cosmo in 1555 after y^e victory over Siena; we were told that when the Duke asking a Gentleman how he liked the piece, he answered that he liked it very well, but that it stood too high for poore men to come at it.

Prince Leopold has in this Citty a very excellent collection of paintings, especianly a *St. Catherine* of P. Veroneze; a Venus of marble, veiled from the middle to y^e feete, esteem'd to be of y^t Greeke workman who made the Venus at the Medici's Palace in Rome, altogether as good, and better preserved, an inestimable statue, not long since found about Bologna.

Sig^r Gaddi is a letter'd person, and has divers rarities, statues and pictures of the best masters, and one bust of marble as much esteem'd as the most antiq in Italy, and many curious manuscripts; his best paintings are, a *Virgin* of del Sarto, mention'd by Vussari, a *St. John* by Raphael, and an *Ecce Homo* by Titian.

The Hall of the Academie de la Crusca is hung about with impresses and devices painted, all of them relating to corne sifted from the brann; the seates are made like bread baskets and other rustic instruments us'd about wheate, and the cushions of satin, like sacks.

We took our farewell of St. Laurence, more particularly noticing that piece of the *Resurrection*, which consists of a prodigious number of naked figures, the work of Pontarno. On the left hand is the *Martyrdom of St. Laurence* by Bronzini, rarely painted indeed. In a Chapell is the tomb of Pietro di Medici and his brother John, of coper, excellently designed, standing on 2 lions' feete which end in foliage, the work of M. Angelo. Over against this are sepulchres of all the ducal family. The altar has a statue of the Virgin giving suck, and two Apostles. Paulus Jovius has the honour to be buried in the cloister. Behind the quire is the superb chapell of Ferdinand I. consisting of eight faces, fourt plaine, fourt a little hollow'd, in the other are to be y^e sepulchres and a niche of paragon for the statue of the Prince now living, all of coper gilt; above is a large table of porphyrie for an inscription for the Duke in letters of jasper. The whole Chapell, walls, pavement, and roofe are full of precious stones united with y^t mouldings, which are also of gilded coper, and so are the bases and capitals of the

columns. The tabernacle with y^e whole altar is inlaid with cornelians, jasudi, serpentine, achats, onyxes, &c. On the other side are 6 very large columns of rock chrystral, 8 figures of precious stones of several colours, inlaid in natural figures not inferior to y^e best paintings, amongst which are many pearls, diamonds, amethysts, topazes, sumptuous and sparkling beyond description. The windows without side are of white marble. The library is the architecture of Raphael; before y^e port is a square vestibule of excellent art, of all y^e orders without confusion; the ascent to it from the library is excellent. We number'd 88 shelves, all MSS. and bound in red, chain'd; in all about 3500 volumes, as they told us.

The Arsenal has sufficient to arme 70,000 men, accurately preserv'd and kept, with divers lusty pieces of ordinance, whereof one is for a ball of 300 pounds weight, and another for 160 which weighs 72,500 pounds.

When I was at Florence the celebrated masters were, for Pietra Commessa (a kind of mosaïq or inlaying of various colour'd marble, and other more precious stones) Dominico Benetti and Mazzotti; the best statuarie, Vincentio Brochi; painter, Pietro Beretino di Cortona. This statuary makes those small statues in plaster and pasteboard w^{ch} so resemble coper, that till one handles them they cannot be distinguish'd, he has so rare an art of bronzing them. I bought 4 of him.

This Duke has a daily tribute for every courtezan or prostitute allowed to practice that infamous trade in his dominions, and so has his holiness y^e Pope, but not so much in value.

Taking leave of our two jolly companions Sig^r Giovanni and his fellow, we tooke horses for Bologna, and by the way alighted at a villa of the Grand Duke's called Patroline. The house is a square of 4 pavillions, with a faire platform about it, balustred with stone, situate in a largo meadow, ascending like an amphitheater, having at the bottom a huge rock with water running in a small channell like a cascade; on y^e other side are y^e gardens. The whole place seems consecrated to pleasure and summer retirement. The inside of the palace may compare with any in Italy for furniture of tapistry, beds, &c, and the gardens are delicious and full of fountaines. In the grove sits Pan feeding

his flock, the water making a melodious sound through his pipe; and an Hercules whose club yields a shower of water which falling into a greate shell has a naked woman riding on the backs of dolphins. In another grotto is Vulcan and his family, the walls richly compo'd of corals, shells, copper, and marble figures, with the hanging of severall beasts, moving by y^e force of water. Here, having bin well washed for our curiositie, we went down a large walke, at the sides whereof several slender streams of water gush out of pipes concealed underneath, that interchangeably fall into each others channells, making a lofty and perfect arch, so that a man on horseback may ride under it and not receive one drop of wet. This canopy or arch of water, I thought one of the most surprising magnificencies I had ever seen, and very refreshing in the heate of the sum' er. At the end of this very long walk stands a woman in white marble, in posture of a laundress wringing water out of a piece of linen, very naturally formed, into a vast lavor the work and invention of M. Angelo Buonarotti. Hence we ascended Mount Parnassus, where the Muses plaied to us on hydraulic organs. Neere this is a greate aviarie. All these waters came from the rock in y^e garden, on which is the statue of a gyant representing the Apennines, at the foote of which stands this villa. Last of all we came to y^e labyrinth in which a huge coloese of Jupiter throws out a streame over the garden. This is 50 foote in height, having in his body a square chamber, his eyes and mouth serving for windows and dore.

We tooke horse and sapp'd that night at Il Ponte, passing a dreadfull ridge of the Apennines, in many places capped wth snow, which covers them the whole sum' er. We then descended into a luxurious and rich plaine. The next day we passed through Scarpiera, monniting the hills againe where the passage is so strait and precipitous towards the right hand that we climbed them with much care and danger; lodging at Fiorenzuto, which is a fort built amongst the rocks and defending the confine of the greate Duke's territories.

The next day we passed by the Pietra Mala, a burning mountaine. At the sum' it of this prodigious masse of hills we had an unpleasent way to Phianca, where we slept that night and were surfeited wth excellent wine. Hence to Borgoletino, and to bed at Bologna. This plaine begins about six miles from Bologna.

This towne belongs to the Pope, and is a famous University, situate in one of the richest spots of Europe for all sorts of provisions. 'Tis built like a ship, whereof the Torre d'Asinello may go for the main-mast. The City is of no greate strength, having a trifling wall about it, in circuit neare 5 miles, and 2 in length. This Torre d'Asinello, ascended by 447 steps of a foote rise, seems exceedingly high, is very narrow, and the more conspicuous from another tower call'd Garisenda so artificially built of brick (which increases the wonder) that it seems ready to fall: 'tis not now so high as the other, but they say the upper part was formerly taken down for feare it should really fall and do mischief.

Next we went to see an imperfect Church cal'd St. Petronius, shewing y^e intent of the founder had he gon on. From this our guide led us to y^e Schooles, which indeede are very magnificent. Thence to St. Dominic's, where that saint's body lies richly inshrin'd. The stalls, or seates of this goodly church have the historie of the Bible inlaid wth severall woods very curiously don, the work of one Fr. Damiano di Bergomo and a frier of that order. Amongst other reliques they shew the two booke of Redras written with his own hand. Here lie buried Jac. Andreas and divers other learn'd persons. To the Church joynes the Convent, in y^e quadrangle whereof are old cypresses, said to have been planted by their Saint.

Then we went to the Palace of the Legat, a faire brick building, as are most of the houses and buildings for the whole towne, full of excellent carving and mouldings, so as nothing in stone seemes to be better finish'd or more ornamentall; witnesse those excellent columns to be seene in many of their churches, convents, and publiq buildings, for the whole towne is so cloyster'd that one may passe from house to house through the streetes without being expos'd either to raine or sun.

Before y^e stately hall of this Palace stands the statue of Paule IV. and divers others; also y^e monument of the coronation of Charles V. The Piazza before it is the most stately in Italy, St. Mark's at Venice onely excepted. In the center of it is a fountain of Neptune, a noble figure in copper. Here I saw a Persian walking about in a very rich vest of cloth of tissue, and severall other ornaments, according to the

fashion of his country, which much pleased me; he was a young hand-som person, of the most stately mien.

I would faine have seen the Library of St. Saviour's, famous for y^e number of rare manuscripts, but could not, so we went to St. Francis', a glorious pile and exceedingly adorn'd within.

After dinner I enquired out a priest and Dr. Montalbano, to whom I brought recom'endations from Rome; this was he who invented or found out the composition of the *lapis illuminabilis*, or phosphorus. He shew'd me their property (for he had severall), being to retaine y^e light of the sun for some competent time, by a kind of imbibition, by a particular way of calcination. Some of these presented a blew colour like the flame of brimstone; others like coals of a kitchen fire. The rest of the afternoone was taken up in St. Michael in Bosco, built on a steepe hill on the edge of y^e Citty, for its fabrick, pleasant shade and groves, cellars, dormitory, and prospects, one of the most delicious retirements I ever saw, art and nature contending which shall exceede; so as till now I never envied the life of a frier. The whole towne and country to a vast extent are under com'and of their eyes; almost as far as Venice it selfe. In this Convent there are many excellent paintings of Guido Rieni, above all, the little cloister of 8 faces painted by Carracci in *fresco*. The carvings in wood in the sacristy are admirable, as is the inlay'd work about y^e Chapell, which even emulates the best paintings, the work is so delicate and tender. The paintings of St. Saviour are of Carracci and Leonardo, and there are excellent things of Raphael which we could not see.

In the Church of St. John is a fine piece of St. Cecilia by Raphael. As to other paintings, there is in the Church of St. Gregorie an excellent picture of a Bishop giving the habit of St. Bernard to an arm'd soldiier, with severall other figures in the piece, the work of Cherbino. Indeede this Citty is full of rare pieces, especially of Guido, Domenico, and a virgin named Isabella Birani, now living, who has painted many excellent pieces, and imitates Guido so well that many skilfull artise have been deceiv'd.

At the Mendicants are the pictures of St. Mary by Rieni, after the manner of Caravagio, but better; and here they shew'd us that famous

piece of *Christ calling St. Matthew*, by Hannibal Carracci. The Marques Magniani has y^e whole freeze of his Hall painted in fresco by the same hand.

Many of the religious men here nourish those lap-dogs which the ladies are so fond of, and which they here sell. They are a pigmy sort of spaniels, whose noses they break when puppies, which in my opinion deforms them.

At the end of the turning in one of the wings of the dormitorie of St. Michael I found a paper pasted neere the window, containing the dimensions of most of the famous Churches in Italy compar'd with their Toures here, and the length of this Gallery, a copy whereof I tooke.

	Braccia *	Piedi di Bologna	Cana di Roma.
St. Pietro di Roma, longo	—	284	473
Cupola del murro, alta	—	210	350
Torre d'Asinello, alto	—	208 $\frac{1}{2}$	348
Dormitorio de St. Mich. a Bologn. longo	— — —	254	423
			72 $\frac{1}{2}$

From hence being brought to a subterranean territorie of cellars, the courteous Friars made us taste a variety of excellent wines, and so we departed to our Inn.

This Citty is famous also for sausages; and here is sold greate quantities of Parmegiano cheese, with Botargo, Caviare, &c. which makes some of their shops perfume y^e streetes with no agreeable smell. We furnish'd ourselves with wash-balls, the best being made here, and being a considerable commodity. This place has also been famous for lutes made by the old masters, Mollen, Hans Frey, and Nicholas Sconvelt, which were of extraordinary price; the workmen were cheifly Germans. The cattle used for draught in this country (which is very rich and fertile, especiaaly in pasture) are cover'd with housings of linnen frung'd at the hottome, that dangle about them, prescriving them from flies, w^c in sum' er are very troublesome.

From this pleasant Citty we went now towards Ferrara, carrying with us a bulletino or bill of health, (customary in all these parts of

* A measure of half an ell.

Italy, especialy in the State of Venice,) had so put ourselves into a boate that was tow'd with horses, often interrupted by the sluices (inventions there to raise the water for the use of mills, and to fill the artificial canalls) at every of which we stayed till passage was made. We went by y^e Castle Bentivoglio, and about night ariv'd at an ugly inn call'd Mal Albergo, agreeable to its name, whence, after we had supp'd, we embark'd and pass'd that night thro' the Fenns, where we were so pestered with those flying glow-worms called *Lucciole*, that one who had never heard of them would think the Country full of sparks of fire; beating some of them downe, and applying them to a book, I could reade in the dark by y^e light they afforded.

Quitting our boate we took coach, and by morning got to Ferrara, where, before we could gain entrance, our gunns and armes were taken from us of custom, the lock being taken off before as we were advis'd. The City is in a low marshy country, and therefore well fortified. The houses and streetes have nothing of beauty, except the Palace and Church of St. Benedict, where Ariosto lies buried; and there are some good statues, the Palazzo del Diamante, Citadel, Church of St. Dominico. The Market-place is very spacious, having in its center the figure of Nicholao Olao, once Duke of Ferrara, on horseback, in coper. It is in a word a dirty towne, and tho' the streetes be large they remaine ill pav'd; yet it is an University, and now belongs to the Pope. Tho' there are not many fine houses in y^e City, the inn where we lodg'd was a very noble palace, having an Angel for its sign.

We parted from hence about 3 in y^e afternoon, and went some of our way on y^e Chanell, and then imbark'd on the Po, or Padus, by the poets called Eridanus, where they faine Phaeton to have fallen after his rash attempt, and where Io was metamorphos'd into a cow. There was in our company, amongst others, a Polonian Bishop, who was exceeding civil to me in this passage, and afterwards did me many kindnesses at Venice. We supp'd this night at a place called Cervia, neare the ruines of the ancient Citty Adria, which gives name to y^e Gulphi, or Sea. After 3 miles, having passed 30 on the Po, we im-barked in a stout vessel, and thro' an artificial chanell, very strait, we entred the Adice, which carried us by break of day into y^e Adriatic,

and so sailing prosperously by Chiozu, (a towne upon an island in this Sea,) and Palestina, we came over against Malamocco, (the cheife port and ankerage where our English merchantmen lie that trade to Venice,) about 7 at night, after we had stayed at least 2 hours for permission to land, our bill of health being deliver'd according to costume. So soone as we came on shore we were conducted to the Dogana, where our portmanteaus were visited, and then we got to our lodging, which was at honest Sig^r Paulo Rhodomante's at the Black Eagle near the Rialto, one of the best quarters of the towne. This journey from Rome to Venice cost me 7 pistoles and 13 julios.

JUNE. The next morning, finding myself extreamly weary and beaten with my journey, I went to one of their bagnios, where you are treated after the Eastern manner, washing with hot and cold water, with oyles, and being rubbed wth a kind of strigel of seal's-skin, put on the operator's hand like a glove. This bath did so open my pôres that it cost me one of the greatest colds I ever had in my life, for want of necessary caution in keeping myselfe warme for some time after; for coming out I imediately began to visit the famous places of the City; and Travellers who come into Italy do nothing but run up and downe to see sights, and this City well deserved our admiration, being the most wonderfully placed of any in the world, built on so many hundred islands, in the very Sea, and at good distance from y^e Continent. It has no fresh water except what is reserv'd in cisterns from raine, and such as is daily brought from *terra firma* in boates, yet there was no want of it, and all sorts of excellent provisions were very cheape.

Tis said that when the Huns overran Italy, some meane fishermen and others left the maine land and fled for shelter to these despicable and muddy islands, which in processe of time, by industry, are growne to the greatnesse of one of the most considerable States, considered as a Republicke, and having now subsisted longer than any of the fourre ancient Monarchies, flourishing in greate state, wealth, and glory, by the conquest of greate territories in Italy, Dacia, Greece, Candy, Rhodes, and Scavonia, and at present challenging the empire of all the Adriatic Sea, which they yearly espouse by casting a gold ring into it wth great pomp and ceremony on Ascension Day: the desire of seeing this was one of the reasons that hastened us from Rome.

The Doge, having heard masse in his robes of state (which are very particular, after the Eastern fashion,) together with y^e Senate in their gownes, imbank'd in their gloriously painted, carved, and gilded Bucantora, environ'd and follow'd by innumerable gallys, gondolas, and boates, filled wth spectators, some dressed in masquerade, trumpets, musiq, and canons; having rowed about a league into y^e Gulph, the Duke at the prow casts a gold ring and cup into the Sea, at which a loud acclamation is echoed from the greate guns of the Arsenal and at the Liddo. We then return'd.

Two days after, taking a gondola, which is their water-coach (for land-ones there are many old men in this City who never saw one, or rarely a horse), we rowed up and downe the Channells, which answer to our streetes. These vessells are built very long and narrow, having necks and tailes of steele, somewhat spreading at the beake like a fishe's taile, and kept so exceedingly polish'd as to give a greate lustre; some are adorn'd with carving; others lined with velvet (commonly black), with curtains and tassells, and the seates like couches, to lie stretch'd on, while he who rowes stands upright on the very edge of the boate, and with one oare bending forward as if he would fall into the Sea, rows and turnes with incredible dexterity; thus passing from channell to channell, landing his fare or patron at what house he pleases. The beakes of these vessells are not unlike the ancient Roman rostrums.

The first publiq building I went to see was the Rialto, a bridge of one arch over the grand Canall, so large as to admit a gally to row under it, built of good marble, and having on it, besides many pretty shops, three ample and stately passages for people without any inconvenience, the two outmost nobly balusted with the same stone; a piece of Architecture much to be admir'd. It was evening, and the Canall where the Noblesse go to take the air, as in our Hide-park, was full of ladys and gentlemen. There are many times dangerous stops by reason of the multitude of gondolas ready to sink one another; and indeed they affect to lean them on one side, that one who is not accustomed to it would be afraid of over-setting. Else they were singing, playing on harpsicords and other musick; and serenading their mistresses; in

another place racing and other pastimes on y^e water, it being now exceeding hot.

Next day I went to their Exchange, a place like ours frequented by merchants, but nothing so magnificent: from thence my guide led me to the Fondigo di Todeschi, which is their magazine, and here many of the merchants, especialy Germans, have their lodging and diet as in a college. The outside of this stately fabric is painted by Giorgione da Castelfranco, and Titian himselfe.

Hence I pass'd thro' the Merceria, which is one of the most delicious streetes in the world for the sweetnesse of it, and is all the way on both sides tapistred as it were with cloth of gold, rich damasks and other silks, which the shops expose and hang before their houses from y^e first floore, and with that variety that for neere half y^e yeare spent cheifly in this Citty I hardly remember to have seene y^e same piece twice expos'd; to this add the perfumes, apothecaries shops, and the innumerable cages of nightingales which they keepe, that entertaine you with their melody from shop to shop, so that shutting your eyes you would imagine yourselfe in the country, when indeede you are in the middle of the Sea. It is almost as silent as the middle of a field, there being neither rattling of coaches nor trampling of horses. This streete, pav'd with brick and exceedingly cleane, brought us thro' an arch into the famous Piazza of St. Marc.

Over this Porch stands that admirable Clock, celebrated next to that of Strasburg for its many movements; amongst which, about 12 and 6, which are their hours of Ave-Maria when all the towne are on their knees, come forth the 3 Kings led by a starr, and passing by y^e image of Christ in his Mother's armes do their reverence, and enter into y^e clock by another doore. At the top of this turret another automaton strikes y^e quarters; an honest merchant told me that one day walking in the Piazza, he saw the fellow who kept the Clock struck with this hammer so forceably, as he was stooping his head neere the yell to mend something amisse at the instant of striking, that being stann'd he reel'd over the battlements and broke his neck. The buildings in this Piazza are all arch'd, on pillars, pav'd within with black and white polish'd marble even to the shops, the rest of the fabric as

stately as any in Europ, being not only marble but the architecture is
of y^e famous Sansovini, who lies buried in St. Iacomo at the end of
the Piazza. The battlements of this noble range of building are rail'd
with stone, and thick set with excellent statu's, which add a great
ornament. One of y^e sides is yet much more Roman-like than the
other which regards the Sea, and where the Church is plac'd. The
other range is plainly Gotiq: and so we entred into St. Marc's Church,
before which stand two brasse pedestals exquisitely cast and figur'd,
which beare as many tall maets painted red, on which upon greate fes-
tivals they hang flags and streamers. The Church is also Gotiq: yet
for the preciousnesse of the materials being of severall rich marbles,
abundance of porphyrie, serpentine, &c. far exceeding any in Rome,
St. Peter's hardly excepted. I much admired the splendid historie of
our B. Saviour compos'd all of Mosaic over the faciata, below which and
over the cheife gate are four horses cast in coper as big as the life, the
same that formerly were transported from Rome by Constantine to By-
zantium, and thence by the Venetians hither *. They are supported by
8 porphyrie columnes of very great size and value. Being come into y^e
Church, you see nothing, and tread on nothing, but what is precious. The
floore is all inlaid with achats, lazuli's, calcedones, jaspers, porphyries
and other rich marbles, admirable also for the work; the walls sumptu-
tuously incrusted and presenting to y^e imagination y^e shapes of men,
birds, houses, flowers, and a thousand varieties. The roote is of most
excellent Mosaic, but what most persons admire is the new work of the
embleumatic tree at the other passage out of the Church. In the mids
of this rich volto rise five cupolas, the middle very large and sustayn'd
by 36 marble columns, eight of which are of precious marbles. Under
these cupolas is y^e high altar, on which is a reliquarie of severall sort
of jewells, engraven with figurea after the Greeke maner, and set to
gether wth plates of pure gold. The altar is cover'd with a canopy o
ophit, on which is sculptur'd the storie of the Bible, and so on the pil-
lare, wth are of Parian marble, that support it. Behind these are fou
other columnes of transparent and true Oriental alabaster, brought hither

* They were taken away by Buonaparte to Paris, but in 1815 were sent back to Venice. — N.H.

out of the mines of Solomon's Temple as they report. There are many chapells and notable monuments of illustrious persons, Dukes, Cardinals, &c. as Zeno, Jo. Soranzi, and others : there is likewise a vast baptisterie of coper. Among other venerable reliques is a stone on which they say our Blessed Lord stood preaching to those of Tyre and Sidon, and neare the doore is an image of Christ, much ador'd, esteeming it very sacred, for that a rude fellow striking it, they say, there gush'd out a torrent of blood. In one of the corners lies the body of St. Isidore, brought hither 500 years since from y^e island of Chios. A little farther they shew the picture of St. Dominic and Francis, affirm'd to have ben made by the Abbot Joachim (many yeares before any of them were born). Going out of the Church they shew'd us the stone where Alexander III. trod on y^e neck of y^e Emperor Fred. Barbarossa, pronouncing that verse of the psalm, "*super basiliscum,*" &c. The dores of y^e Church are of massie coper. There are neare 500 pillars in this building, most of them porphyrie and serpentine, and brought cheifly from Athens and other parts of Greece formerly in their power. At the corner of the Church are inserted into the maine wall four figures as big as life cut in porphyrie, which they say are the images of four brothers who poysoned one another, by which meanes there escheated to y^e Republiq that vast treasury of reliques now belonging to the Church. At the other entrance that looks towards the Sea, stands in a small chapell that statue of our Lady, made (as they affirme) of the same stone or rock out of which Moses brought water to the murmuring Israelites at Horeb or Meriba.

After all that is said, this Church is in my opinion much too dark and dismal, and of heavy work ; the fabric, as is much of Venice both for buildings and other fashions and circumstances, after the Greekes, their next neighbours.

The next day, by favour of the French Ambassador I had admittance with him to see the Reliquary call'd here Tresoro di San Marco, which very few even of travellers are admitted to see. It is a large chamber full of presses. There are twelve breast-plates, or pieces of pure golden armour studded with precious stones, and as many crownes dedicated to S. Mark by so many noble Venetians who had recovered their wives

taken at sea by the Saracens; many curious vases of achats; the cap or cornet of the Dukes of Venice, one of which had a rubie set on it esteemed worth 200,000 crownes; two unicorns hornes, numerous vasas and dishes of achat, set thick with precious stones and vast pearlles; divers heads of Saints inchas'd in gold; a small ampulla or glasse with our Saviour's blood; a greate morcell of the real crosse; one of the nailles; a thorn; a fragment of y^e columu to which our Lord was bound when scourged; the standard or ensigne of Constantines; a piece of St. Luke's arme; a rib of St. Stephen; a finger of Mary Magdalene; numerous other things which I could not remember; but a priest, first vesting himselfe in his sacerdotalis with the stole about his neck, shew'd us the Gospel of St. Mark (their tutelar patron) written by his own hand, and whose body they shew buried in the Church, brought hither from Alexandria many years ago.

The Religious de li Servi have fine paintings of P. Veroneze, especially the *Magdalen*.

A French Gentleman and myself went to the Courts of Justice, the Senate-house, and Ducal Palace. The first Court neere the Church is almost wholly built of several colour'd sorts of marble, like chequer work on the outside; this is sustain'd by vast pillars, not very shapely, but observable for their capitals, and that out of thirty-three no two are alike. Under this fabrick is the Cloyster where Merchants meeke morning and evening, as also the graye Senitors and Gentlemen, to confer of state affaires in their gownes and caps like so many Philosophers; 'tis a very noble and solemn spectacle. In another quadrangle stood two square columnis of white marble, carved, which they said had ben erected to hang one of their Dukes on, who design'd to make himselfe Soveraigne. Going through a stately arch there were standing in niches divers statues of greate value, amongst which is the so celebrated Eve, esteem'd worth its weight in gold; it is just opposite to y^e staires where are two Colossus's of Mars and Neptune by Sansovino. We went up into a Coridore built with several Tribunals and Courts of Justice; and by a well-contriv'd stair-case were landed in the Senate-hall, which appears to be one of the most noble and spacious rooms in Erop, being 76 paces long and 32 in breadth. At the upper end are the Tribunals of

the Duke, Council of Ten, and Assistants; in the body of the hall are lower ranks of seats capable of containing 1500 Senators, for they consist of no fewer on grand debates. Over the Duke's throne are the paintings of the *Final Judgment* by Tintoret, esteem'd amongst the best pieces in Europe. On the rooſe are the famous Acts of the Republick painted by severall excellent masters, especiaſy Bassano; next them are the Effigies of the ſeveral Dukes, with their Elogies. Then we turned into a great Court painted with the *Battail of Lepanto*, an ex- cellent piece; thence into the Chamber of the Council of Ten, painted by the moſt celebrated masters. From hence, by the ſpecial favour of an *Illustrissimo*, we were carried to ſee the private Armorie of the Palace, and ſo to the ſame Court we firſt enter'd, nobly buiit of poſh'd white marble, part of which is the Duke's Court *pro tempore*; there are two wells adorn'd with excellent work in coper. This led us to the ſea-ſide, where ſtand thoſe two columns of ophite ſtone in the intire piece, of a greate height, one bearing St. Mark's Lion, the other St. Theodorus; theſe pillars were brought from Greece, and ſet up by Nie. Baraterius the architect; betweene them publicke exequitions are performed.

Having fed our eyes with the noble proſpect of y^e Island of St. George, the gallies, gondolas, and other vefſells paſſing to and fro, we walked under the Cloyster on the other ſide of this goodly Piazza, being a moſt magnificent building, the design of Sansovino. Here we went into the Zecca, or Mint; at the entrance ſtand two prodigious Giants or Hercules of white marble: we ſaw them melt, beate, and coyne ſilver, gold, and coper. We then went up into the Procuratorie, and a Library of excellent MSS. and books belonging to it and the Publique. After this we climb'd up the Toure of St. Mark, which we might have don on horseback, as 'tis ſaid one of the French Kings did, there being no stayres or ſteps, but returnes that take up an entire ſquare on the ſtepes 40 foote, broad enough for a coach. This Steeple stands by itſelfe without any Church neere it, and is rather a watch toure in the corner of y^e greate Piazza, 230 foote in height, the foundation exceeding deepe; on the top is an Angel y^t turns wth y^e wind, and from hence is a proſpect down the Adriatic as far as Iſtria and the Dalmatian ſide, with the ſurprizing ſight of this miraculous Citty, which lies in the

bosome of the sea, in the shape of a lute, the numberless Islands tacked together by no fewer than 450 bridges. At the foote of this Toure is a public tribunal of excellent work in white marble polish'd, adorn'd with several brasse statues and figures of stone in mezzo relievo, the worke of some rare artist.

It was now Ascension Week, and the greates Mart or Faire of y^e whole yeare was now kept, every body at liberty and jollie. The noblemen stalking with their ladys on *choppines*; these are high-heeld shoes, particularly affected by these proude dames, or, as some say, invented to keepe them at home, it being very difficult to walke with them; whence one being asked how he liked the Venetian dames, replied, that they were *mezzo carne, mezzo ligno*, half flesh, half wood, and he wold have none of them. The truth is, their garb is very odd, as seeming allwayes in masquerade; their other habits also totaly different from all nations. They weare very long crisped haire, of severall strakes and colours, which they make so by a wash, dischevelling it on the brims of a broade hat that has no head, but an hole to put out their heads by; they drie them in the sunn, as one may see them at their windows. In their tire they set silk flowers and sparkling stones, their peticoates coming from their very arme-pits, so that they are neere three quarters and an half apron; their sleevevs are made exceeding wide, under which their shift sleeves as wide, and commonly tucked up to the shoulder, shewing their naked armes, thro' false sleeves of tiffany, girt with a bracelet or two, with knots of points richly tagged about their shoulders and other places of their body, which they usually cover with a kind of yellow vaile of lawn very transparent. Thus stir'd they set their hands on the heads of two matron-like servants or old women, to support them, who are mumbliing their beades. 'Tis ridiculous to see how these ladys crawl in and out of their *gondolas* by reason of their *choppines*, and what dwarfs they appear when taken down from their wooden scaffolds; of these I saw near thirty together, stalking halfe as high again as the rest of the world, for courtezans or the citizens may not weare *choppines*, but cover their bodies and faces with a vaile of a certaine glittering raffeta or lustree, out of which they now and then dart a glaunce of their eye, the whole face being otherwise

entirely hid with it; nor may the com'on misses take this habit, but go abroad barefac'd. To the corners of these virgin-vailes hang broad but flat tossells of curious Point de Venize; the married women go in black vailes. The nobility weare the same colour, but of fine cloth lin'd wth taffeta in Summer, with fur of the bellies of squirrelles in y^e Winter, which all put on at a certaine day girt with a girdle emboss'd with silver; the vest not much different from what our Bachelors of Arts weare in Oxford, and a hood of cloth made like a sack, cast over their left shoulder, and a round cloth black cap fring'd with wool which is not so comely; they also weare their collar open to shew the diamond button of the stock of their shirt. I have never seene pearle for colour and bignesse comparable to what the ladys wear, most of the noble families being very rich in jewells, especiaaly pearles, which are always left to the son or brother who is destined to marry, which the eldest seldome do. The Doge's vest is of crimson velvet, the Procurator's, &c. of damasc, very stately. Nor was I lesse surprised with the strange variety of y^e severall nations which were seen every day in the streetes and piazzas; Jews, Turks, Armenians, Persians, Moores, Greekes, Sclavonians, some with their targets, and boucklers, and all in their native fashions, negotiating in this famous Emporium, which is allways crowded with strangers.

This night, having with my Lord Bruce taken our places before, we went to the Opera where comedies and other plays are represented in recitative musiq by the most excellent musicians vocal and instrumental, with variety of scenes painted and contrived with no lesse art of perspective, and machines for flying in the aire, and other wonderfull motions; taken together it is one of the most magnificent and expensive diversions the wit of man can invent. The history was, Hercules in Lydia; the scenes changed thirteen times. The famous voices, Anna Rencia, a Roman, and reputed the best treble of women; but there was an eunuch who in my opinion surpass'd her; also a Genoeze that sung an incomparable base. This held us by y^e eyes and eares till two in the morning, when we went to the Chetto de san Felice, to see the noblemen and their ladies at *Basset*, a game at cards which is much used, ~~but~~ they play not in public, and all that have inclination to it are in

masquerade, without speaking one word, and so they come in, play, loose or gaine, and go away as they please. This time of licence is onely in Carnival and this Ascension Week; neither are their Theaters open for that other magnificence or for ordinary comedians save on these solemnities, they being a frugal and wise people and exact observers of all sumptuarie laws.

There being at this time a ship bound for the Holy Land, I had resolved to imbarke, intending to see Jerusalem and other parts of Syria, Egypt, and Turkey; but after I had provided all necessaries, laid in snow to coole our drink, bought some sheepe, poultry, biscuit, spirits, and a little cabinet of droughgs in case of sickness, our vessell (whereoff Capt. Powell was master) happen'd to be press'd for the service of the State to carry provisions to Caudia, now newly attacqued by the Turkes, which altogether frustrated my designe, to my greate mortification.

On the . . . June we went to Padua, to the Faire of their St. Anthony, in company of divers passengers. The first *terra firma* we landed at was Fusina, being onely an inn, where we changed our barge and were then drawne up by horses thro' the river Brenta, a strait chanell as even as a line for 20 miles, the country on both sides deliciously adorned with country villas and gentlemen's retirements, gardens planted with oranges, figs, and other fruit, belonging to y^e Venetians. At one of these villas we went ashore to see a pretty contriv'd Palace. Observable in this passage was buying their water of those who farme the sluices, for this artificial river is in some places so shallow that reserves of water are kept with sluices, which they open and shut with a most ingenious invention or engine, govern'd even by a child. Thus they keep up the water or let it go, till the next channell be either filled by the stop, or abated to the levell, of the other, for which every boate pays a certaine dutie. Thus we stay'd neere halfe an houre and more at three severall places, so as it was evening before we got to Pudua. This is a very ancient Cittie if the tradition of Antenor's being the founder be not a fiction; but thus speakes the inscription over a stately gate:

Hanc antiquissimam urbem literarum omnium asylum, coquus agrum fertiliatis Lumen Naturae esse voluit, Antenor condidit aucto Christum natum
M.Cxvii, Senatus autem Venetus his belis propugnandis ortavit.

The towne stands on the river Padus, whence its name, and is generally built like Bologna on arches and on brick, so that one may walk all round it, dry, and in the shade, w^{ch} is very convenient in these hot countries; and I think I was never sensible of so burning a heate as I was this season, especiaaly the next day, which was that of y^e Faire, fill'd with noble Venetians by reason of a greate and solemn procession to their famous Cathedral. Passing by St. Lorenzo I met with this inscription :

Inclytus Antenor patriam vox nisa quietem *
 Transtulit hic Henetum Dardanidumq; fuga,
 Expulit Euganeos, Patavinam condidit urbem,
 Quem tegit hic humili marmore cressa domus.

Under the tomb was a cobler at his work. Being now come to St. Antonies (the streete most of y^e way strait, well built, and outsides excellently painted in *fresco*) we survey'd the spacious piazza, in which is erected a noble statue of coper of a man on horseback, in memorie of one Catta Malata †, a renowned captaine. The Church *a la Greca* consists of five handsome cupolas leaded. At the left hand within is the tomb of St. Anthony and his altar, about w^{ch} a mezzo relieveo of the miracles ascrib'd to him is exquisitely wrought in white marble by the three famous sculptors Tullius Lombardus, Jacobus Sansovinus, and Hieron. Compagno. A little higher is the quire, wall'd parapet fashion with sundry colour'd stone halfe relieveo, the work of Andrea Reccij. The altar within is of the same metall, which with the candlestick and bases is in my opinion as magnificent as any in Italy. The wainscot of the quire is rarely inlaid and carved. Here are the sepulchres of many famous persons, as of Rodolphus Fulgosi, &c. and among the rest one that for an exploit at sea has a gall exquisitely carved thereon. The Procession bore the banners with all the treasure of the cloyster, which was a very fine sight.

Hence walking over the Prato delle Valle, I went to see y^e Convent of St. Justina's, than w^{ch} I never beheld one more magnificent. The

* Meyer very justly observes that the first line of this inscription conveys no meaning. Vol. III. p. 990.

† Lasciò alle sue Gatta Mala, the Venetian General, nicknamed Gato, because of his watchfulness. p. 439.

Church is an excellent piece of architecture of Andrea Palladio, richly pay'd, with a stately cupola that covers the high altar inshrinng the ashes of y^e Saint. It is of Pietra Commeasa, consisting of flowers very naturally don. The quire is inlay'd with severall sorts of wood representing the holy history, finish'd with exceeding industry. At the far end is that rare painting of *St. Justina's martyrdom* by P. Veronese; and a stone on w^{ch} they told us divers primitive Christians had ben decapitated. In another place (to w^{ch} leads a small cloister well painted) is a dry well cover'd with a brass-work grate wherein are the bones of divers martyrs. They shew also the bones of St. Luke in an old alabaster coffin; three of the Holy Innocents; and y^e bodys of St. Maximus and Prosdocius *. The Dormitory above is exceeding commodious and stately, but what most pleas'd me was the old cloyster so well painted with the legendarie Saints, mingled with many ancient inscriptions, and pieces of urnes dug up it scemes at the foundation of the Church. Thus having spent the day in rambles, I return'd the next day to Venice.

The Arsenal is thought to be one of y^e best furnish'd in y^e world. We entred by a strong port always guarded, and ascending a spacious gallery saw armes of back, breast, and head, for many thousands; in another were saddles, over them ensignes taken from the Turks. Another Hall is for the meeting of the Senat; passing a graff are the smiths forges, where they are continually at work on ankers and iron work. Neere it is a well of fresh water, which they impute to two rhinoceros's horns which they say lie in it and will preserve it from ever being empoinson'd. Then we came to where the carpenters were building their magazines of oares, masts, &c. for an hundred gallys and ships, which have all their aparell and furniture neere them. Then the founderie, where they cast ordinance; the forge is 450 paces long, and one of them has thirteen furnaces. There is one cannon weighing 16,573 lbs. cast whilst Henry the Third dined, and put into a gally built, rigg'd, and fitted for launching within that time. They have also armes for 12 galleasses, wh^{ch} are resaille to rowe, of almost 150

* St. Peter's disciple, first Bishop of Putea. Laudel, p. 430.

foote long and 30 wide, not counting prow or poop, and contain 28 banks of oares, each 7 men, and to carry 1300 men, with 3 masts. In another a magazin for 50 gallys, and place for some hundreds more. Here stands the Bucentaur, with a most ample deck, and so contriv'd that the slaves are not seene, having on the poop a thron for the Doge to sit, when he goes in triumph to espouse the Adriatic. Here is also a gallery of 200 yards long for cables, and over that a magazine of hemp. Over against these are their saltpetre houses, and a large row of cells or houses to protect their gallies from y^e weather. Over the gate as we go out, is a roome full of greate and small guns, some of which discharge six times at once. Then there is a court full of can'on, bullets, chaines, grapples, granados, &c. and over that armes for 800,000 men, and by themselves armes for 400 taken from some that were in a plot against the State; together with weapons of offence and defence for 62 ships; 32 pieces of ordnance on carriages taken from the Turks, and one prodigious mortar-piece. In a word, 'tis not to be reckoned up what this large place contajnes of this sort. There were now 23 gallys, and 4 gally-grossi of 100 oares of a side. The whole Arsenal is wall'd about and may be in compasse about 3 miles, with 12 towres for y^e watch, besides y^t the sea invirons it. The workmen, who are ordinarily 500, march out in military order, and every evening receive their pay thro' a small hole in y^e gate where the Governor lives.

The next day I saw a wretch executed who had murther'd his master, for w^t he had his head chop'd off by an axe y^t slid down a frame of timber *, between the two tall columns in St. Mark's Piazza at the sea brink; the executioner striking on the axe with a beatle, and so the head fell off the block.

Hence by Gudala we went to see Grimani's Palace, the portico whereof is excellent work. Indeed the world cannot shew a Citty of more stately buildings considering the extent of it, all of square stone, and as chargeable in their foundations, as superstructure, being all built on piles at an immense cost. We return'd home by the Church of St. Johanne and Paulo, before which is in coper the statue of Bartoloueo

* The maiden at Halifax, in Yorkshire, and the guillotine in France.

Colone on horseback, double gilt, on a stately pedestal, the work of And. Verrochio, a Florentine. This is a very fine Church, and has in it many rare altar pieces of y^e best masters, especially that on the left hand of y^e *Two Friars slaine*, which is of Titian.

The day after, being Sunday, I went over to St. George's to y^e ceremonie of y^e schismatic Greekes, who are permitted to have their Church, tho' they are at defiance with Rome. They allow no carved images, but many painted, especially the story of their patron and his dragon. Their rites differ not much from the Latines, save that of communicating in both species, and distribution of the holy bread. We afterwards fell into dispute with a Candiot concerning the procession of y^e Holy Ghost. The Church is a noble fabric.

The Church of St. Zachary is of Greeke building, by Leo y^e 4th Emp. and has in it the bones of that prophet with divers other Saints. Neere this we visited St. Luke's, famous for the tomb of Are廷e*.

Tuesday we visited severall other Churches, as S^{ta} Maria, newly incrusted with marble on the outside, and adorned wth porphyrie, ophit, and Spartan stone. Neere the altar and under y^e organ are sculptures, that are said to be of the famous artist Praxiteles. To that of St. Paul I went purposely to see the tomb of Titian. Then to St. John the Evangelist, where amongst other heroes lies Andr. Baldarius, the inventor of oares applied to greate vessels for fighting.

We also saw St. Roch, the roofe whereof is, with the school or hall of that rich confraternity, admirably painted by Tintoret, especially the *Crucifix* in y^e sacristia. We saw also y^e Church of St. Sebastian, and Carmelites monasterie.

Next day taking our gondola at St. Mark's, I pass'd to y^e Island of St. George Maggiore, where is a Convent of Benedictines, and a well built Church by Andrea Palladio, the greate architect. The pavement, cupola, choire, and pictures, very rich and sumptuous. The

* This epitaph has been made for this Servant and Athlet:

Here lies the man who no man spared,
When the angry主人 was on him,
Nor God himself had better fired,
If Are廷e had known him.

cloyster has a fine garden to it, which is a rare thing at Venice, tho' this is an island a little distant from y^e Cittie; it has also an olive orchard all environ'd by the sea. The new cloyster now building has a noble stayrecase pav'd wth white and black marble.

From hence we visited St. Spirito and St. Laurence, faire Churches in severall islands; but most remarkable is that of y^e Padri Olivetani in St. Helen's island, for the rare paintings and carvings, wth inlay'd work, &c.

The next morning we went againe to Padoa, where next day we visited y^e market; which is plentifully furnish'd and exceedingly cheape. Here we saw y^e greate hall, built in a spacious piazza, and one of y^e most magnificent in Europe; its ascent is by steps a good heighth, of a reddish marble polish'd, much us'd in these parts and happily found not far off; 'tis almost 200 paces long and 40 in breadth, all cover'd wth lead, without any support of columns. At y^e further end stands the bust in white marble of Titus Livius the historian. In this town is the house wherein he was borne, full of inscriptions and pretty faire.

Neere to the monument of Speron Speronii, is painted on y^e cieling the celestiall zodiaq and other astronomical figures; without side there is a corridor in manner of a balcony, of the same stone; and at the entrie of each of the three gates is the head of some famous person, as Albert Eremitano, Jul. Paullo (lawyers), and Peter Apontius. In the piazza is the Podesta and Capitano Grande's Palace, well built; but above all the Monte Pietà, the front whereof is of most excellent architecture; this is a foudation of which there is one in most of the Citties in Italy, where there is a continual bang of mony to assist y^e poorer sort, on any pawn, and at reasonable interest, together wth magazines for deposit of goods till redeemed.

Hence to y^e Scholes of this flourishing and ancient University, especially for y^e studie of physic and anatomie. They are fairly built in quadrangle, with cloysters beneath, and above wth columns. Over the greate gate are the armes of y^e Venetian State, and under y^e lion of St. Mare:

"Sic ingredere ut teipso quotidie doctior; sic egredere ut indies Patriæ Christianæq; Reipublicæ utilior evadas; its demum Gymnasium a te feliciter estimabit;

About y^e court walls are carv'd in stone and painted the blasons of the Consuls of all the nations that from time to time have had that charge and honor in the Universitie, which at my being there was my worthy friend Dr. Rogers, who here tooke that degree.

The scholes for y^e lectures of the severall sciences are above, but none of them comparable, or so much frequented as the theatre for anatomie, which is excellently contriv'd both for the dissector and spectators. I was this day invited to dinner, and in the afternoone (being 30 July) received my *Matricula*, being resolved to spend some moneths here at study, especialy physic and anatomie, of both which there was now the most famous professors in Europe. My *Matricula* contained a clause, that I, my goods, servants, and messengers, should be free from all toll and reprises, and that we might come, pass, return, buy or sell, without any toll, &c.

The next morning I went to see y^e Garden of Simples, rarely furnish'd wth plants, and gave order to y^e gardener to make me a collection of them for an *hortus hyemalis*, by permission of y^e Cavalier Dr. Vestlingius, then Prefect and Botanic Professor as well as of Anatomie.

Next morning the Earle of Arundel*, now in this City, a famous collector of paintings and antiquities, invited me to go with him to see y^e Garden of Mantua, where as one enters stands a huge colosse of Hercules. From hence to a place where was a roome cover'd wth a noble cupola, built purposely for musiq; the fillings up, or cove 'twixt the walls were of urnes and earthen pots for y^e better sounding; it was also well painted. After dinner we walked to y^e Palace of Foscari all' Arena, there remaining yet some appearances of an ancient theater, tho' serving now for a court onely before y^e house. There were now kept in it two eagles, a crane, a Mauritanian sheepe, a stag, and sundry foules, as in a vivarie.

Three days after, I return'd to Venice, and pass'd over to Murano, famous for y^e best glasses of the world, where having viewed their furnaces and scene their work, I made a collection of divers curiosities

* The celebrated Thomas Earl of Arundel, part of whose collection was eventually procured for the University of Oxford by Mr. Evelyn, and is distinguished by the name of *Murano Arundeliana*.

and glasses, which I sent for England by long sea. 'Tis the white flints w^{ch} they have from Pavia, which they pound and sift exceedingly small and mix with ashes made of a sea-weede brought out of Syria, and a white sand, that causes this manufacture to excell. The Towne is a *Podestaria* by itsclfe, at some miles distant on y^e sea from Venice, and like it built upon severall small islands. In this place are excellent oysters, small and well tasted like our Colchester, and they were the first, as I remember, that I ever could eat, for I had naturally an aversion to them.

At our retурne to Venice we met several gondolas full of Venetian ladys, who come thus far in fine weather to take the aire, with musiq and other refreshments. Besides that Murano is it selfe a very nobly built Towne, and has divers noblemen's palaces in it and handsome gardens.

In coming back we saw y^e Islands of St. Christopher and St. Michael, the last of which has a Church inrich'd and incrusted with marbles and other architeconic ornaments, which the Monkes very courteously shew'd us. It was built and founded by Margaret *Miniliana* of Verona, a famous courtezan, who purchased a greate estate, and by this foundation hoped to commute for her sins. We then rowed by y^e Iles of St. Nicholas, whose Church with the monuments of the Justinian family entertain'd us awhile; and then got home.

The next morning Capt. Powell, in whose ship I was to eiebark towards Turkey, invited me on board, lying about 10 miles from Venice, where we had a dinner of English pouder'd beefe and other good meate with store of wine and greate gunns, as the manner is. After dinner the Captaine presented me with a stone he lately brought from Grand Cairo, which he tooke from the Mummy-pitts, full of hieroglyphics; I drew it on paper with the true dimensions, and sent it in a letter to Mr. Hensaw to com'unicate to Father Kircher, who was then setting forth his greate work *Obeliscus Pamphilus*, where it is described, but without mentioning my name. The stone was afterwards brought for me into England and landed at Wapping, where before I could heare of it, it was broken into severall fragnents and utterly defaced, to my no small disappointment.

The boatswaine of y^e ship also gave me a hand and foote of a mummy, the nailes whereof had been overlaid with thin plates of gold, and the whole body was perfect when he brought it out of Egypt, but y^e avarice of y^e ship's crue broke it to pieces and divided the body among them. He presented me also with two Egyptian idols, and some loaves of y^e bread which the Coptics use in y^e Holy Sacrament, with other curiosities.

8 August. I had newes from Padoa of my election to be *Syndicus Artistarum*, which caused me after two days idling in a country villa with y^e Consul of Venice, to hasten thither, that I might discharge my selfe of that honour, because it was not only chargeable, but would have hindred my progresse, and they chose a Dutch gentleman in my place, which did not well please my countrymen, who had labour'd not a little to do me the greatest honour a stranger is capable of in that Universitie. Being freed from this impediment, and having taken leave of Dr. Janicius, a Polonian, who was going physician in y^e Venetian gallys to Candy, I went againe to Venice, and made a collection of severall books and some toys. Three days after, I return'd to Padoa, where I studied hard till the arival of Mr. Henshaw, Bramstone, and some other English gentlemen whom I had left at Rome, and who made me go back with them to Venice, where I spent some time in shewing them what I had seen there.

26 Sept. My dear friend, and till now my constant fellow-traveller, Mr. Thicknesso, being obliged to returne to England upon his particular concerne, and who had served his Ma^v in the warrs, I accompanied him part of his way, and on the 28th returned to Venice.

29. Michaelmas day, I went with my Lord Mowbray (eldest son to the Earle of Arundell and a most worthy person) to see the collection of a noble Venetian, Sign. Rugini. He has a stately Palace richly furnish'd with statues and heads of Roman Emperors, all plac'd in an ample roome. In the next was a cabinet of medals, both Latin and Greek, with divers curious shells and two faire pearls in two of them; but above all he abounded in things petrified, walnuts, eggs in which y^e yealk rattl'd, a peare, a piece of beefe with y^e bone in it, an whole hedge-hog, a plaice on a wooden trencher turn'd into stone and very

perfect, charcoale, a morsel of cork yet retaining its levitic, sponges, and a piece of taffety part roll'd up, with innumerable more In another cabinet supported by twelve pillars of Oriental achat and rail'd about with chrystral, he shew'd us severall noble intaglias of achat, especialy a head of Tiberius, a woman in a bath wth her dog, some rare cornelians, onixes, chrysals, &c. in one of which was a drop of water not congeal'd, but moving up and down when shaken; above all, a diamond which had a very faire rubie growing in it; divers pieces of amber wherein were several insects, in particular one cut like an heart that contained in it a salamander without the least defect, and many pieces of Mosaic. The fabriq of this cabinet was very ingenious, set thick with achats, turquoises, and other precious stones, in the midst of w^{ch} was an antiq of a dog in stone scratching his eare, very rarely cut and comparable to the greatest curiositic I had ever seene of that kind for y^e accuratenesse of the work. The next chamber had a bedstead all inlay'd wth achats, chrysals, cornelians, lazuli, &c. esteemed worth 16,000 crownes; but for y^e most part y^e bedsteads in Italy are of forged iron gilded, since it is impossible to keepe the wooden ones from y^e chimices.

From hence I returned to Padoa, when that towne was so infested wth souldiers that many houses were broken open in the night, some murders committed, and the nuns next our lodging disturb'd, so as we were forc'd to be on our guard with pistols and other fire-armes to defend our doores; and indeede the students themselves take a barbarous liberty in the evenings when they go to their strumpets, "to stop all that passe by the house where any of their companions in folly are with them; this costome they call *Chi rali*, so as the streetes are very dangerous when the evenings grow dark; nor is it easy to reforme this intollerable usage where there are so many strangers of severall nations.

Using to drink my wine cool'd wth snow and ice, as the manner here is, I was so affliction with an angina and soare-throat that it had almost cost me my life. After all the remedies Cavalier Vestlingius, cheife professor here, could apply, old Salvatico (that famous physician being call'd, made me be cupp'd and scarified in the back in foure places, which began to give me breath, and consequently life, for I was

in y^e utmost danger; but God being mercifull to me, I was after a fortnight abroad againe, when changing my lodgng I went over against Pozzo Pinto, where I bought for winter provision 3000 weight of excellent grapes, and pressed my owne wine, which proved incomparable liquor.

This was on 10 Oct. Soon after came to visite me from Venice Mr. Henry Howard, grandchild to y^e Earle of Arundel, Mr. Bramstone, son to y^e Lord Cheif Justice, and Mr. Henshaw, with whom I went to another part of y^e Citty to lodge neare St. Catherine's, over against the Monasterie of Nuns, where we hired the whole house and lived very nobly. Here I learned to play on y^e theorba, taught by Sig. Dominico Bassaho, who had a daughter married to a Doctor of Laws, that played and sung to nine severall instruments, with that skill and addresse as few masters in Italy exceeded her; she likewise compos'd divers excellent pieces. I had never seene any play on the Naples viol before. She presented me afterwards with two recitativos of hers, both words and musiq.

31 Oct. Being my birth-day, the Nunus of St. Catharine's sent me flowers of silk-work. We were very studious all this winter till Christmas, when on twelth day we invited all the English and Scotts in towne to a feast, which sunk our excellent wine considerably.

1646. In January Sign. Molino was chosen Doge of Venice, but the extreame snow that fell, and the cold, hindered my going to see the solemnity, so as I stirred not from Padoa till Shrovetide, when all the world repaire to Venice to see the folly and madnesse of the Carneall; the women, men, and persons of all conditions disguising themselves in antiq' dresses, with extravagant muriq' and a thousand gambols, traversing the streetes from house to house, all places being then accessible and free to enter. Abroad, they fling eggs fill'd with sweete water, but sometimes not over sweete. They also have a barbarous costome of hunting bulls about y^e streets and places, which is very dangerous, the passages being generally narrow. The youth of the severall wards and parishes contend in other ranories and pastimes, so that 'tis impossible to account the universal madnesse of this place during this time of licence. The greate banks are set up for those who

will play at bassett; the comedians have liberty, and the operas are open; witty pasquils are thrown about, and the mountebanks have their stages at every corner. The diversion which cheifely tooke me up was three noble operas, where were excellent voices and musiq, the most celebrated of which was the famous Anna Renche, whom we invited to a fish dinner after foure daies in Lent, when they had given over at the theater. Accompanied with an eunuch whom she brought with her, she entertain'd us with rare musiq, both of them singing to an harpsichord. It growing late, a gentleman of Venice came for her to shew her y^e gallys, now ready to sayle for Candia. This entertainment produced a second, given us by y^e English Consul of y^e merchants, inviting us to his house, where he had the Genoeze, the most celebrated base in Italy, who was one of the late opera band. This diversion held us so late at night, that conveying a gentlewoman who had supped with us to her gondola at the usual place of landing, we were shot at by two carbines from out another gondola in which was a noble Venetian and his courtezan unwilling to be disturb'd, which made us run in and fetch other weapons, not knowing what the matter was, till we were informed of the danger we might incur by pursuing it farther. Three days after this I tooke my leave of Venice, and went to Padoa to be present at the famous Anatomic Lecture, which is here celebrated with extraordinary apparatus, lasting almost a whole moneth. During this time I saw a woman, a child, and a man dissected with all the manual operations of y^e chirurgeon on the humane body. The one was performed by Cavalier Vestlingius and Dr. Jo. Athelsteinus Leonenas, of whom I purchased those rare Tables of Veines and Nerves, and caus'd him to prepare a third of y^e Lungs, Liver, and Nervi sexti par: w^t y^e Gastric Veines, which I sent into England, and afterwards presented to the Royall Society, being the first of that kind that had been seen there, and for aught I know in y^e world, tho' afterwards there were others. When y^e Anatomic Lectures, which were in y^e mornings, were ended, I went to see cures don in the Hospitals; and certainly as there are y^e greatest helps and the most skilfull physicians, so there are the most miserable and deplorable objects to exercise upon. Nor is ther any, I should think, so power-

full an argum^t against y^e vice reigning in this licentious Country, as to be spectator of the miseris these poore creatures undergo. They are indeede very carefullly attended, and with extraordinary charity.

20 March. I return'd to Venice, where I tooke leave of my friends.

22. I was invited to excellent English potted venison at Mr. Hobbsⁿ, a worthy merchant.

23. I tooke my leave of the Patriarche and y^r Prince of Wirtemburg, and Mon^t. Grotius (son of the learned Hugo) now going a comander to Candia, and in the afternoon receiv'd of Vandervoort my merchant, my bills of exchange of 300 ducats for my journey. He shew'd me his rare collection of Italian books, esteem'd very curious and of good value.

The next day I was conducted to the Ghetta, where the Jewes dwell together as in a tribe or ward, where I was present at a marriage. The bride was clad in white, sitting in a lofty chaire, and cover'd with a white vaille; then two old Rabbies joyned them together, one of them holding a glasse of wine in his hand, which in the midst of the ceremony, pretending to deliver to y^e woman, he let fall, the breaking whereof was to signify the frailty of our nature, and that we must expect disasters and crosses amidst all enjoyments. This don, we had a fine banquet, and were brought into y^e bride-chamber, where the bed was dress'd up wth flowers, and the counterpan strewed in workes. At this ceremony we saw divers very beautifull Portuguez Jewesses, with whom we had some conversation.

I went to y^e Spanish Ambassador with Bonifacio his confessor, and obtained his passe to serve me in the Spanish dominions, without which I was not to travel, in this pompous form:

"Don Gaspar de Teves y Guzman, Marques de la Fuente, Senor Le Larena y Verazuza, Comendador de Colos, en la Orden de Sant Yago, Alcalde Mayor perpetuo y Escrivano Mayor de la Ciudad de Sevilla, Gentilhombre de la Camara de S. M. su Azemilero Mayor, de su Consejo, su Embaxador extraordinario a los Principes de Italia, y Alemania, y a esta serenissima Republica de Venetia, &c. Haviendo de partir de esta Ciudad para La Milan el Sig^r Cavallero Evelyn Ingles, con un Criado, mi han pedido Passe-porte para los Estados de su M. Le he mandado dar al presente, firmado de mi mano,

y sellado con el sello de mis armas, por el qual encargo a todos los menestros de S. M. antes quien le presentase y a los que no lo son, supplico les dare passar libramente sin permitir que se le haya vexacion alguna antes mandar le las favor para continuar su viage. Fecho en Venecia a 24 del mes de Marzo dell' an'o 1646.

Mar. de la Fuentes, &c."

Having pack'd up my purchases of books, pictures, castes, treacle, &c. (the making and extraordinary ceremonie whereof I had ben curious to observe, for 'tis extremely pompous and worth seeing) I departed from Venice, accompanied with Mr. Waller (the celebrated Poet), now newly gotten out of England, after y^e Parliament had extremely worried him for attempting to put in execution y^e Commission of Aray, and for which the rest of his Collegues were hanged by y^e Rebels.

The next day I tooke leave of my comrades at Padoa, and receiving some directions from Dr. Salvatico as to y^e care of my health, I prepared for my journey towards Milan.

It was Easter Monday that I was invited to breakfast at the Earle of Arundel's*. I tooke my leave of him in his bed, where I left that greate and excellent man in teares on some private discourse of crosses that had befall'n his illustrious family, particularly the undutifullnesse of his Grandson Philip's turning Dominican Frier (since Cardinal of Norfolk), and the miserie of his Countrie now embroil'd in civil war. He caus'd his Gentleman to give me directions, all written with his owne hand, what curiosities I should enquire after in my journey; and so, enjoyning me to write sometimes to him, I departed. There stayed for me below, Mr. Henry Howard (afterwards Duke of Norfolk), Mr. J. Digby son of Sir Kenelm Digby, and other gentlemen, who conducted me to the coach.

The famous Lapidaries of Venice for false stones and pastes so as to emulate the best diamonds, rubies, &c. were Marco Terrasso and Gilbert.

* Lansell, who travelled a short time after Mr. Evelyn, says, that the Earl died here, and that his burials are buried under a black marble stone, inscribed "Isteriora Thomae Howard Comitis Asondelii" p. 429.

An Accompt of what Bills of Exchange I tooke up at Venice since my coming from Rome, till my departure from Padoa :

11 Aug ^t 1645	- - - - -	200
7 Sept.	- - - - -	135
1 Oct ^r	- - - - -	100
15 Jan. 1646	- - - - -	100
23 April	- - - - -	300
		835 Ducati di Banco.

In company then with Mr. Waller, one Capt. Wray (son of S: Christ^r. whose father had ben in armes against his Ma^v, and therefore by no meanes welcome to us), with Mr. Abdy, a modest and learned man, we got that night to Vincenza, passing by y^e Euganean hills, celebrated for the prospects and furniture of rare simples, which we found growing about them. The wayes were something deepe, the whole country flat and even as a bowling greene. The comon fields lie square, and are orderly planted wth fruite trees which the vines run upon and embrace for many miles, with delicious streames creeping along the ranges.

Vincenza is a City in y^e Marquisate of Treviso, yet appertaining to y^e Venetians, full of gentlemen and splendid palaces, to which y^e famous Palladio, borne here, has exceedingly contributed, as having ben the architect. Most conspicuous is the Hall of Justice; it has a toure of excellent work; the lower pillars are of the first order; those in the three upper corridors are Doric; under them are shops in a spacious piazza. The hall was built in imitation of that at Padoa, but of a nobler designe, *a la moderna*. The next morning we visited y^e Theater, as being of that kind the most perfect now standing, and built by Palladio, in exact imitation of the ancient Romans, and capable of containing 5000 spectators. The scene, w^{ch} is all of stone, represents an imperial city, y^e order Corinthian, decorated with statues. Over y^e Scenario is inscribed, "Virtuti ac Genio Olympior: Academia Theatrum hoc a fundamentis erexit Palladio Architect:

1584." The scene declines 11 foote, the suffito painted with cloudes. To this there joynes a spacious Hall for sollemn days to ballot in, and a second for the Academics. In y^e Piazza is also the Podesta, or Governor's house, the faciata being of y^e Corinthian order, very noble. The Fiazza it selfe is so large as to be capable of justs and tournaments, the Nobility of this Citty being exceedingly addicted to this knight errantry and other martial diversions. In this place are two pillars in imitation of those at St. Marc's at Venice, bearing one of them a winged lion, the other the statue of St. Jo. Baptist.

In a word, this sweete Towne has more well-built Palaces than any of its dimensions in all Italy, besides a number begun and not yet finished (but of stately designe) by reason of the domestic dissentions 'twixt them and those of Brescia, fomented by y^r sage Venetians least by combining they might think of recovering their ancient liberty. For this reason also are permitted those disorders and insolences committed at Padoa among the youth of these two territories. It is no dishonor in this country to be some generations in finishing their palaces, that without exhausting themselves by a vast expence at once, they may at last erect a sumptuous pile. Count Oleine's Palace is neere perfected in this manner. Count Ulmarini* is more famous for his gardens, being without y^e walls, especialy his Cedrario or Conserve of Oranges eleaven score of my paces long, set in order and ranges, making a canopy all the way by their intermixing branches for more than 200 of my single paces, and which being full of fruite and blossoms was a most delicious sight. In the middle of this garden was a eupola made of wyre, supported by slender pillars of brick, so closely cover'd with ivy, both without and within, that nothing was to be perceived but green; 'twixt the arches there dangled festoones of the same. Here is likewise a most inextricable labyrinth.

I had in this towne recommendation to a very civil and ingenious apothecarie call'd Angelico, who had a pretty collection of paintings. I would faine have visited a palace call'd the Rotunda, which was a mile out of towne belonging to Count Martio Capra, but one of our

* Lassells calls him Valmerana, p. 435.

companions hasting to be gone, and little minding any thing save drinking and folly, caus'd us to take coach sooner than we should have done.

A little from the towne we pass'd y^e Campo Martio, set out in imitation of ancient Rome, wherein y^e noblesse exercise their horses, and the ladys make the Corso; it is entred by a stately triumphal arch, y^e invention of Palladio.

Being now set out for Verona, about midway we din'd at Ostaria Nova, and came late to our resting-place, which was the Cavalletto, just over the monument of the Scaligeri*, formerly Princes of Verona, adorn'd with many devices in stone of ladders, alluding to y^e name.

Early next morning we went about y^e Citty, which is built on y^e gentle declivity and bottome of an hill, environ'd in part with some considerable mountaines and downes of fine grass like some places in y^e South of England, and on the other side having the rich plaine where Caius Marius overthrew y^e Cimbrians. The Citty is divided in y^e midst by y^e river Athesis, over which are divers stately bridges, and on its banks are many goodly palaces, whereof one is well painted in chiaro oscuro on the outside, as are divers in this drie climate of Italy.

The first thing y^c engaged our attention and wonder too, was the amphitheater, which is the most entire of ancient remaines now extant. The inhabitants call it the *Arena*: it has two portico's, one within y^e other, and is 34 rods long, 22 in bredth, with 42 ranks of stone benches or seates which reach to y^e top. The vastnesse of y^e marble stones is stupendious. "L. V. Flaminia Consul. ano. urb. con. LIII." This I esteeme to be one of the noblest antiquities in Europ, it is so vast and intire, having escaped the ruines of so many other public buildings for above 1400 yeares.

There are other arches, as that of y^e victorie of Marius; temples, aqueducts, &c. shewing still considerable remaines in severall places of the towne, and how magnificent it has formerly ben. It has three strong castles, and a large and noble wall. Indeede, the whole Citty is bravely built, especialy y^e Senate house, where we saw those cele-

brated statues of Cornelius Nepos, Emilius Marcus, Plinius, and Vitruvius, all having honoured Verona by their birth, and of later date Julius Caesar Scaliger, that prodigie of learning.

In y^e evening we saw y^e garden of Count Giusti's villa, where are walkes cut out of the maine rock, from whence we had y^e pleasant prospect of Mantua and Parma, though at greate distance. At the entrance of this garden growes the goodliest cypresse I fancy in Europ, cut in pyramid; 'tis a prodigious tree both for breadth and height, entirely cover'd and thick to y^e base.

Dr. Cortone, a Civilian, shew'd us amongst other rarities a *St. Dorothea* of Raphael. We could not see the rare drawings, especially of *Parmensis*, belonging to Dr. Marcello, another advocate, on account of his absence.

This Citty deserved all those elogies Scaliger has honoured it with, for in my opinion the situation is the most delightfull I ever saw, it is so sweetly mixt with rising ground and vallies, so elegantly planted with trees on which Bacchus seems riding as it were in triumph every autumn, for the vines reach from tree to tree; here of all places I have seene in Italy would I fix a residence. Well has that learn'd man given it the name of y^e very eye of the world;—

Ocelle mundi, Sidus Itali cœli,

Flos Urbium, flos corniculunq^m amorum,

Quot sunt, eruntve, quot fuere, Verona.

The next morning we travell'd over the downes where Marius fought, and fancied ourselves about Winchester and the country towards Dorsetshire. We dined at an inn call'd Cavalla Caschieri, neare Peschiera, a very strong fort of the Venetian Republic, and neare the Lago di Garda, which disembogues into that of Mantua, neare 40 miles in length, highly spoken of by my Lord Arundel to me, as the most pleasant spot in Italy, for which reason I observ'd it with the more diligence, alighting out of the coach and going up to a grove of cypresses growing about a gentleman's country house, from whence indeede it presents a most surprizing prospect. The hills and gentle risings about it produce oranges, citrons, olives, figs, and other tempting fruits, and the waters abound in excellent fish, especially

troutts. In y^e middle of this lake stands Sermoneta on an island; here Capt. Wray bought a pretty nag of the master of our inn where we dined, for eight pistoles, which his wife, our hostesse, was so unwilling to part with, that she did nothing but kiss and weep and hang about the horse's neck till the captaine rid away.

We came this evening to Brescia, which next morning we traversed according to our custom in search of antiquities and new sights. Here I purchas'd of old Lazarino Cominazzo my fine carbine, which cost me 9 pistoles, this City being famous for these fire-armes, and that workman, with Jo. Bap. Franco, the best esteem'd. This City consists most in artists, every shop abounding in gunns, swords, armorers, &c. Most of the workmen come out of Germanie. The City stands in a fertile plaine, yet y^e Castle is built on an hill. The streetes abound in faire fountaines. The Torre della Pallada is of a noble Tuscan Order, and the Senate-house is inferior to few. The Piazza is but indifferent; some of the houses arched as at Padua. The Cathedrall was under repaire. We would from hence have visited Parma, Piacenza, Mantua, &c. but the banditti and other dangerous parties being abroad, committing many enormities, we were content with a Pisgah sight of them.

We din'd next day at Ursia Vecchia, and after dinner pass'd by an exceeding strong fort of y^e Venetians cal'd Ursia Nova, on their frontier. Then by the river Oglio and so by Sonano, where we enter the Spanish dominions, and that night arriv'd at Crema, which belongs to Venice, and is well defended. The Podesta's Palace is finely built, and so is y^e Domo or Cathedral and the Tower to it, with an ample Piazza.

Early next day, after 4 miles riding, we enter'd into the State of Milan, and pass'd by Lodi*, a greare Citty famous for cheese little short of the best Parmeggiano. We din'd at Marignano, 10 miles before coming to Milan, where we met halfe a dozen suspicious Cavaliers, who yet did us no harme. Then passing as through a continual garden, we went on with exceeding pleasure, for it is the paradise of

* Famous for the victory gained by Buonaparte over the Aostrians in 1796.

Lombardy, the highways as even and straite as a line, the fields to a vast extent planted with fruit about the inclosures, vines to every tree at equal distances, and water'd with frequent stremes. There was likewise much corne, and olives in abundance. At approch of y^e Citty some of our company, in dread of y^e Inquisition (severer here than in all Spain), thought of throwing away some Protestant books and papers. We arived about 3 in the afternoone, when the officers search'd us thoroughly for prohibited goods, but finding we were onely gentlemen travellers, dismiss'd us for a small reward, and we went quietly to our inn, the Three Kings, where for that day we refreshed ourselves, as we had neede. The next morning we delivered our letters of recommendation to y^e learned and courteous Ferrarius, a Doctor of the Ambrosian College, who conducted us to all the remarkable places of the towne, the first of which was the famous Cathedral. We enter'd by a portico so little inferior to y^e of Rome, that when it is finish'd it will be hard to say which is y^e fairest; the materials are all of white and black marble, with columns of great heighth of Egyptian granite. The outside of the Church is so full of sculpture, that you may number 4000 statues all of white marble, amongst w^{ch} that of St. Bartholomew is esteemed a masterpiece. The Church is very spacious, almost as long as St. Peter's at Rome, but not so large. About the Quire the sacred storie is finely sculptured in snow-white marble, nor know I where it is exceeded. About y^e body of the Church are the miracles of St. Char. Boromeo, and in the vault beneath is his body before the high altar, grated, and inclos'd in one of y^e largest chrystals in Europe. To this also belongs a rich treasure. The cupola is all of marble within and without, and even cover'd with great planks of marble, in the Gotick designe. The windows are most beautifully painted. Here are two very faire and excellent organs. The fabriq is erected in the midst of a faire Piazza, and in the center of the City.

Hence we went to the Palace of the Archbishop, which is a quadrangle, the architecture of Theobaldi, who design'd much for Philip II. in the Escorial, and has built much in Milan. Hence I went into y^e Governor's Palace, who was Constable of Castile; tempted by the gloriouse tapistries and pictures, I adventur'd so far alone, that peeping

into a chamber where the greate man was under the barber's hands, he sent one of his Negro's (a slave) to know what I was; I made the best excuse I could, and that I was only admiring the pictures, which he returning and telling his lord, I heard the Gouvernor reply that I was a spie, on which I retir'd with all the speede I could, pass'd the guard of Swisse, got into the streete, and in a moment to my company, who were gone to the Jesuites Church, which in truth is a noble structure, the front especialy, after y^e moderne. After dinner we were conducted to St. Celso, a church of rare architecture, built by Bramante; the carvings of the marble faciata are by Hannibal Fontana, whom they esteeme at Milan equal to the best of the ancients. In a roome joyning to the Church is a marble Madona like a Colosse, of the same sculptor's work, w^{ch} they will not expose to the aire. There are two Sacristias, in one of which is a fine *Virgin* of Leonardo da Vinci, in the other is one by Raphael d'Urbino, a piece which all the world admires. The Sacristan shew'd us a world of rich plate, jewells, and embroder'd copes, which are kept in presses.

Next we went to see y^e Greate Hospital, a quadrangular Cloyster of a vast compasse, a truly royal fabric, with an annual endowment of 50,000 crowns of gold. There is in the middle of it a crosse building for the sick, and just under it an altar so plac'd as to be seene in all places of y^e Infirmarie.

There are divers Colleges built in this quarter, richly provided for by y^e same Borromeo and his nephew y^e last Card^r Fréderico, some not yet finish'd, but of excellent designe.

In St. Eustorgio, they tell us, formerly lay the bodyes of the 3 Magi, since translated to Colin (Cologne) in Germany; they however preserve y^e tomb, which is a square stone, on which is engraven a star and under it, "Sepulcrum trium Magorum."

Passing by St. Laurence we saw 16 columns of marble, and y^e ruins of a Temple of Hercules, with this inscription yet standing:

Imp. Cœsari L. Aurelio Vero Aug. Arminiaco Medico Parthico Max. Trib.
Pot. VII. Imp. IIII. Cos. III. P. P. Divi Antonini Pij Divi Hadriani Nepoti
Divi Trajanii Parthici Pro Nepoti Divi Nerva Abnepoti Dec. Dec.

We concluded this day's wandring at the Monasterie of Madona della Gratia, and in the Refectorie admir'd that celebrated *Cœna Domini* of Leonardo da Vinci, which takes up the intire wall at the end, and is the same that the greate Virtuoso Francis the First of France was so enamour'd of, that he consulted to remove the whole wall by binding it about with ribs of iron and timber to convey it into France. It is indeede one of the rarest paintings that was ever executed by Leonardo, who was long in y^e service of that Prince, and so deare to him that y^e King coming to visite him in his old age and sicknesse, he expired in his armes. But this incomparable piece is now exceedingly impair'd*.

Early next morning came the learned Dr. Ferarius to visite us, and took us in his coach to see the Ambrosian Librarie, where Card^r Fred. Borromeo has expended so vast a sum on this building and in furnishing with curiosities, especialy paintings and drawings of inestimable value amongst painters. It is a schole fit to make the ablest artists. There are many rare things of Hans Breuggill, and amongst them y^e *Four Elements*. In this room stands the glorious [boasting] inscription of Cavaliere Galeazzo Arconati, valucing his gift to the librarie of severall drawings by Da Vinci, but these we could not see, the keeper of them being out of towne and he always carrying the keys with him; but my Lord Martial, who had scene them, told me all but one booke are small, that an huge folio contain'd 400 leaves full of scratches of Indians, &c. but whereas the inscription pretends that our King Charles had offer'd £.1,000 for them, the truth is, and my Lord himselfe told me, that it was he who treated with Galeazzo for himselfe in the name and by permission of the King, and that the Duke of Feria, who was then Governor, should make the bargain: but my Lord having seene them since, did not think them of so much worth.

* It is not noticed in the Painter's Voyage of Italy, published 1679, probably from its decay. The painting is still there, but having been often retouched, on account of the dampness of the wall, is certainly not what it once was. The picture has been again drawn into notice in England from the magnificent print of it lately engraved in Italy by Raphael Morghen, which is esteemed one of the finest works of art in this kind that has ever been executed. There is also an old engraving from it by Peter Soutman, but which by no means exhibite a true delineation of the characters of the piece, as designed by Leonardo.

In the great roome, where is a goodly librarie, on y^e right hand of y^e doore is a small wainscot closet furnish'd wth rare manuscripts. Two original letters of y^e Grand Signor were shew'd us, sent to two Popes, one of which was (as I remember) to Alex' VI. (Borgia), and the other mentioning the head of the launce wth pierc'd our B. Saviour's side sent as a present to y^e Pope: I would faine have gotten a copy of them, but could not; I hear, however, that they are since translated into Italian, and that therein is a most honourable mentiou of Christ.

We revisited St. Ambrose's Church. The high altar is supported by 4 porphyrie columns, and under it lie the remaines of that holy man. Neere it they shew'd us a pit or well (an obscure place it is) where they say St. Ambrose baptiz'd St. Augustine and recited y^e *Te Deum*, for so imports the inscription. The place is also famous for some Councils that have ben held here, and for the coronation of divers Italian Kings and Emperors, receiving the Iron Crown from the Archbishop of this see *. They shew the History by Josephus written on the bark of trees. The high altar is wonderfully rich.

Milan is one of the most princely Citties in Europe; it has no suburbs, but is circled wth a stately wall for 10 miles, in y^e center of a country that seemes to flow with milk and honny. The aire is excellent; the fields fruitfull to admiration, the market abounding with all sorts of provisions. In the Citty are neare 100 Churches, 71 Monasteries, 40,000 inhabitants; it is of a circular figure, fortified with bastions, full of sumptuous palaces and rare artists, especially for works in chrystal, which is here cheape, being found among the Alpes. They are curious straw worke among the viunns, even to admiration. It has a good river, and a citadell at some small distance from y^e Citty, commanding it, of greate strength for its works and munition of all kinds. It was built by Galeatius the Second, and consists of 4 bastions, and works at y^e angles and fronts; the graff is fac'd with brick to a very great depth; has 2 strong towres as one enters, and within is another fort and spacious lodgings for y^e souldiers and for exercising them. No accommodation for strength is wanting, and all exactly uniforme.

* Buonaparts took it and put it on his own head.

They have here also all sorts of work and tradesmen, a greate magazine of armes and provisions. The fosse is of spring water with a mill for grinding corn, and the ramparts vaulted underneath. Don Juan Vasquez Coronada was now Governor; the garrison Spaniards onely.

There is nothing better worth seeing than the collection of Sig^r. Septalla *, a canon of St. Ambrose, famous over Christendome for his learning and virtues. Amongst other things he shew'd us an Indian wood that has the perfect scent of civet; a flint or pebble, that has a quantity of water in it, w^{ch} is plainly to be seen, it being cleare as achat; divers chrystals that have water moving in them, some of them having plants, leaves, and hogs bristles in them; much amber full of insects, &c: and divers things of woven amianthus †.

Milan is a sweete place, and tho' the streetes are narrow they abound in rich coaches, and are full of noblesse, who frequent the course every night. Walking a turn in the Portico before y^e Dome, a cavaliero who pass'd by hearing some of us speaking English, looked a good while earnestly on us, and by and by sending his servant desir'd we would honour him the next day at dinner. We looked on this as an odd invitation, he not speaking to us himselfe, but we returned his civilitie with thanks, tho' not fully resolv'd what to do, or indeed what might be the meaning of it in this jealous place; but on enquirie 'twas told us he was a Scots Colonel who had an honorable command in the Citty, so that we agreed to go. This afternoone we were wholly taken up in seeing an opera represented by some Neapolitans, performed all in excellent music with rare sceneas, in which there acted a celebrated beauty.

Next morning we went to the Colonel's, who had sent his servant

* The Painter's Voyage particularizes 85 pictures in this Collection, but few of them by great Masters.

† There are two descriptive Catalogues of the Museum; in its day, one of the most celebrated in all Italy; both are in small quarto, the one in Latin, the later and most complete one in Italian. To this is prefixed a large inside view of the Museum, exhibiting its curious contents, of books, stones, pictures, w^{ch}, and every kind of rarity natural and artificial.

Kayser in his Travels laments the not being able to see it, on account of a law-suit then depending, and it has been long since dispersed, probably in consequence of it.

againe to conduct us to his house, which we found to be a noble palace richly furnish'd. There were other guests, all soldiers, one of them a Scotchman, but we could not learn one of their names. At dinner he excus'd his rudenesse that he had not himselfe spoken to us, telling us it was his custome when he heard of any English travellers (who but rarely would be knowne to passe thro' that Citty for feare of the Inquisition) to invite them to his house, where they might be free. We had a sumptuous dinner, and the wine was so tempting that after some healths had gon about, and we had risen from table, the Colonel led us into his hall, where there hung up divers colours, saddles, bridles, pistols, and other armes, being trophies which he had taken with his owne hands from the enemy; amongst them he would needs bestow a paire of pistols on Capt. Wray, one of our fellow-travellers and a good drinking gentleman, and on me a Turkish bridle woven with silk and very curiously emboss'd, with other silk trappings, to which hung a halfe unoone finely wrought, which he had taken from a basshaw whom he had slaine. With this glorious spoile I rid the rest of my journey as far as Paris, and brought it afterwards into England. He then shew'd us a stable of brave horses, with his menage and cavale-rizzo. Some of the horses he caus'd to be brought out, which he mounted, and performed all the motions of an excellent horseman. When this was don, and he had alighted, contrary to the advice of his groome and page, who knew y^e nature of y^e beast and that their master was a little spirited with wine, he would have a fiery horse that had not yet been maned and was very ungovernable, but was otherwise a very beautifull creature; this he mounting, y^e horse getting y^e reines in a full carriere, rose so desperately that he fell quite back, crushing the Colonell so forceably against the wall of the menage, that tho' he sat on him like a Centaure, yet recovering the jade on all fourre againe, he desir'd to be taken down and so led in, where he cast himself on a pallet, and with infinite lamentations, after some time we tooke leave of him being now speechlesse. The next morning going to visite him, we found before the doore the canopie whidh they usually carry over y^e host, and some with lighted tapers, which made us suspect he was in very sad condition, and so indeede we found him,

an Irish Frier standing by his bed side as confessing him, or at least disguising a confession, and other ceremonies us'd *in extremis*, for we afterwards learn'd that the gentleman was a Protestant and had this Frier his confidant, which was a dangerous thing at Milan, had it been but suspected. At our enterance he sighed grievously and held up his hands, but was not able to speake. After vomiting some blood, he kindly tooke us all by the hand, and made signes that he should see us no more, which made us take our leave of him with extreame reluctancy and affliction for the accident. This sad disaster made us consult about our departure as soon as we could, not knowing how we might be enquir'd after or engag'd, the Inquisition being so cruelly formidable and inevitable on the least suspicion. The next morning, therefore, discharging our lodgings, we agreed for a coach to carry us to the foote of y^e Alpes, not a little concern'd for the death of y^e Colonell, which we now heard of, and who had so courteously entertain'd us.

The first day we got as far as Castellanza, by which runs a considerable river into Lago Maggiore; here at dinner were two or three Jeanites, who were very pragmatical and inquisitive, whom we declin'd conversation with as decently as we could: so we pursu'd our journey thro' a most fruitfull plaine, but the weather was wet and uncomfor-table. At night we lay at Sesto.

The next morning leaving our coach we embarked in a boate to carry us over y^e Lake (being one of the largest in Europe) and whence we could see the touring Alps, and amongst them the greate San Bernardo, esteemed y^e highest mountaine in Europe, appearing to be some miles above the clouds. Thro' this vast water passes the river Ticinus, w^{ch} discharges itselfe into y^e Po, by which meanes Helvetia transports her merchandizes into Italy, which we now begin to leave behind us.

Having now sailed about two leagues, we were hal'd ashore at Arona, a strong towne belonging to the Dutchy of Milan, where being examin'd by the Governor and paying a small duty, we were dismiss'd. Opposite to this fort is Angiera, another small towue, the passage very pleasant with the prospect of the Alps cover'd with pine and fir trees, and above them snow. We pass'd the pretty Island

Isabella*, about the middle of the Lake, on which is a faire house built on a mount, indeede the whole island is a mount ascended by severall terraces and walks all set about with orange and citron trees.

The next we saw was Isola †, and we left on our right hand the Isle of St. Jovanni ‡, and so sailing by another small towne built also on an island, we ariv'd at night at Murgazzo, an obscure village at the end of the Lake, and at the very foote of the Alpes, which now rise as it were suddenly after some hundreds of miles cf. the most even country in the world, and where there is hardly a stone to be found, as if Nature had here swept up the rubbish of the Earth in the Alpes to forme and cleare the Plaines of Lombardy, which we had hitherto pass'd since our coming from Venice. In this wretched place I lay on a bed stuff'd with leaves, which made such a crackling, and did so prick my skin thro' the tick, that I could not sleepe. The next morning I was furnish'd with an asse, for we could not get horses; instead of stirrups we had ropes tied with a loope to put our feete in, which supplied the place of other trappings. Thus with my gallant steed, bridled with my Turkish present, we pass'd thro' a reasonably pleasant but very narrow valley till we came to Duomo, where we rested, and having shew'd the Spanish Pusse, y^e Governor would presse another on us that his Secretary might get a croune. Here we exchang'd our asses for mules, sure footed on the hills and precipices, being accustom'd to passe them; hiring a guide, we were brought that night thro' very steep, craggy and dangerous passages to a village called Vedra, being the last of the King of Spain's dominions in y^e Datchy of Milan. We had a very infamous wretched lodging.

The next morning we mounted again thro' strange, horrid, and fearfull craggs and tracts, abounding in pine trees, and onely inhabited by beares, wolves, and wild goates; nor could we any where see above a pistol shoote before us, the horizon being terminated with rocks and mountaines, whose tops cover'd with snow seem'd to touch y^e skie, and in many places pierced the cloudes. Some of these vast mountaines were but one entire stone, 'twixt whose clefts now and then precipitated

* † ‡ These are called "the Borromean Islands in the Lago Maggiore, belonging to the great Milatene family of Borromeo."

greate cataracts of mealted snow and other waters, which made a terrible roaring, echoing from y^e rocks and cavities; and these waters in some places breaking in the fall wett us as if we had pass'd thro' a mist, so as we could neither see nor heare one another, but trusting to our honest mules we jogged on our way. The narrow bridges in some places made onely by felling huge fir trees and laying them athwart from mountaine to mountaine over cataracts of stupendious depth, are very dangerous, and so are the passages and edges made by cutting away the maine rock ; others in steps ; and in some places we passe betweene mountains that have ben broken and fallen on one another, which is very terrible, and one had neade of a sure foote and steady head to climb some of these precipices, besides that they are harbours for beares and wolves who have sometimes assaulted travellers. In these straights we frequently alighted, now freezing in the snow, and anon frying by the reverberation of the sun against the cliffs as we descend lower, when we meete now and then a few miserable cottages so built upon the declining of the rocks as one would expect their sliding down. Amongst these inhabite a goodly sort of people having monstrous gullets or wenss of fleshe growing to their throats, some of which I have seene as big as an hundred pound bag of silver hanging under their chinns, among the women especialy, and that so ponderous as that to ease them many wear linen cloth bound about their head and coming under the chin to support it ; but *quis tumidum guttis miratur in Alpibus?* Their drinking so much snow-water is thought to be the cause of it ; the men using more wine are not so strumous as the women. The truth is, they are a peculiar race of people, and many greate water drinkers here have not these prodigious tumours ; it runs as we say in the bloud, and is a vice in the race, and renders them so ugly, shrivel'd and deform'd by its drawing the skin of the face downe, that nothing can be more fritefull ; to this add a strange puffing dress, furrs, and y^e barbarous language, being a mixture of corrupt High German, French and Italian. The people are of greate stature, extreamely fierce and rude, yet very honest and trustie.

This night thro' almost unaccessible heights we came in prospect of Mons Sempionius, now Mount Sampion, which has on its sum'it a

few huts and a chapell. Approching this, Captaine Wray's water-spaniel (a huge filthy cur that had follow'd him out of England) hunted an heard of goates downe the rocks into a river made by the melting of the snow. Arriv'd at our cold harbour (tho' the house had a stove in every roome) and supping on cheese and milk with wretched wine, we went to bed in cupboards* so high from the floore that we climb'd them by a ladder; we were covered with feathers, that is we lay between two ticks stuff'd with them, and all little enough to keepe one warme. The cielings of the rooms are strangely low for those tall people. The house was now, in September, halfe cover'd with snow, nor is there a tree or bush growing within many miles.

From this uncomfortable place we prepared to hasten away the next morning, but as we were getting on our mules, comes a huge young fellow demanding mony for a goat wh^e he affirm'd that Capt. Wray's dog had kill'd; expostulating y^e matter and impatient of staying in the cold, we set spurs and endeavour'd to ride away, when a multitude of people being by this time gotten together about us (for it being Sunday morning and attending for the priest to say masse) they stopp'd our mules, beate us off our saddles, and disarming us of our carbines, drew us into one of the roomes of our lodging, and set a guard upon us. Thus we continu'd prisoners till masse was ended, and then came halfe a score grim Swisse, who taking on them to be magistrates sate downe on the table, and condemn'd us to pay a pistole for the goate and ten more for attempting to ride away, threat'ning that if we did not pay it speedily, they would send us to prison and keep us to a day of publiq; justice, where, as they perhaps would have exaggerated the crime, for they pretended we had prim'd our carbines and would have shot some of them (as indeede the Captaine was about to do) we might have had our heads cut off, as we were told afterwards, for that amongst these rude people a very small misdemeanor dos often meets that sentence. Tho' the proceedings appear'd highly unjust†, on consultation among ourselves we thought it safer to rid ourselves out of their hands and the trouble

* They have such in Wales.

† Surely these poor people were right, and this is not expressed with Mr. Evelyn's usual liberality.

we were brought into, and therefore we patiently layd downe the mony and with fierce countenances had our mules and armes deliver'd to us, and glad we were to escape as we did. This was cold entertainment, but our journey after was colder, the rest of the way having ben as they told us cover'd with snow since the Creation; no man remember'd it to be without; and because by the frequent snowing the tracts are continually fill'd up, we passe by severall tall masts set up to guide travellers, so as for many miles they stand in ken of one another like to our beacons. In some places where there is a cleft between 2 mountaines the snow fills it up, whilst the bottome being thaw'd leaves as it were a frozen arch of snow, and that so hard as to beare the greatest weight; for as it snows often, so it perpetually freezes, of which I was so sensible that it flaw'd y^e very skin of my face.

Beginning now to descend a little, Capt. Wray's horse (that was our sumpter and carried all our baggage) plunging thro' a bank of loose snow slid downe a frightfull precipice, which so incenc'd the cholericq cavalier his master that he was sending a brace of bullets into the poore beast, least our guide should recover him and run away with his burden; but just as he was lifting up his carbine we gave such a shout, and so pelted y^e horse with snow-balls, as with all his might plunging through the snow he fell from another steepe place into another bottoone neere a path we were to passe. It was yet a good while ere we got to him, but at last we recover'd the place, and easing him of his charge hal'd him out of the snow, where he had ben certainly frozen in if we had not prevented it before night. It was as we judg'd almost two miles that he had slid and fall'n, yet without any other harme than the benumming of his limbs for y^e present, but with lusty rabiug and chafing he began to move, and after a little walking perform'd his journey well enough. All this way, affrited with the disaster of this horse, we trudg'd on foote driving our mules before us; sometimes we fell, sometimes we slid thro' this ocean of snow, which after October is impussable. Towards night we came into a larger way, thro' vast woods of pines which clothe the middle parts of these rocks. Here they were burning some to make pitch and rosin, piling the knotty branches as we do to make charcoale, reserving what

mealts from them, which hardens into pitch. We pass'd severall cascades of dissolv'd snow, that had made channels of formidable depth in y^e crevices of y^e mountaines, and with such a fearfull roaring as we could heare it for 7 long miles. It is from these soures that the Rhone and the Rhyne which passe thro' all France and Germanie, derive their originals. Late at night we got to a towne called Briga at the foote of y^e Alpes, in the Valtoline. Almost every doore had nail'd on the outside and next y^e streete a beare's, wolfe's, or foxe's head, and divers of them all three; a savage kind of sight, but as the Alpes are full of these beasts the people often kill them. The next morning we return'd our guide, and tooke fresh mules and another to conduct us to the Lake of Geneva, passing thro' as pleasant a country as that we had just travel'd was melancholy and troublesome. A strange and suddaine change it seem'd, for the reverberation of the sun-beames from the mountaines and rocks that like walls range it on both sides, not above two flight shots in bredth for a very great number of miles, renders y^e passage excessively hot. Thro' such extremes we continu'd our journey, that goodly river the Rhone gliding by us in a narrow and quiet channell almost in y^e middle of this Canton, fertilising the country for grasse and corne, which grow here in abundance.

We arriv'd this night at Sion, a pretty towne and city, a bishop's seate, and the head of Valesia. There is a Castle, and the Bishop who resides in it has both civill and ecclesiastical jurisdiction. Our host, as the costome of these Cantons is, was one of the chiefest of the towne, and had ben a Colonell in France; he us'd us with extreame civility, and was so displeas'd at the usage we receiv'd at Mount Sampion, that he would needes gives us a letter to the Governor of the Country who resided at St. Maurice, which was in our way to Geneva, to revenge the affront. This was a true old blade, and had ben a very curious virtuoso, as we found by an handsome collection of books, medaills, pictures, shells, and other antiquities. He shew'd two heads and hornes of the true capricorne, which animal he told us was frequently kill'd among y^e mountaines; one branch of them was as much as I could well lift and neere as high as my head, not much unlike the greater sort of goates, save that they bent forwards, by help

whereof they climb up and haung on inaccessible rocks, from whence the inhabitants now and then shoote them; they speak prodigious things of their leaping from crag to crag, and of their sure footing notwithstanding their being cloven footed, unapt one would think to take hold and walke so steadily on those horrible ridges as they do. The Colonell would have given me one of these beames, but the want of a convenience to carry it along with me caus'd me to refuse his courtesie. He told me that in the Castle there were some Roman and Christian antiquities, and he had some inscriptions in his owne garden. He invited us to his country-house, where he said he had better pictures and other rarities; but our time being short, I could not persuade my companions to stay and visite the places he wold have had us seene, nor the offer he made to shew us the hunting of the beare, wolfe, and other wild beasts. The next morning, having presented his daughter, a pretty well-fashioned young woman, with a small rubie ring, we parted somewhat late from our generous host. Passing thro' the same pleasant vally betweene the horrid mountaines on either hand, like a gallery many miles in length, we got to Martigni, where also we were well entertain'd. The houses in this country are all built of firr boards planed within, low, and seldom above one story. The people very clownish and rustickly clad after a very odd fashion, for y^e most part in blew cloth, very whole and warmo, with little variety or distinction twixt the gentlemen and common sort, by a law of their country being exceedingly frugal. Add to this their greate honestie and fidelity, tho' exacting enough for what they part with. I saw not one beggar. We paied the value of 20 shill. English for a day's hire of one horse. Every man gos with a sword by his side; the whole country well disciplin'd, and indeed impregnable; which made the Romans have such ill successe against them; one lusty Swisse at their narrow passages is sufficient to repell a legion. 'Tis a frequent thing here for a young tradesman or fermor to leave his wife and children for 12 or 15 yeares, and seeke his fortune in the wars in Spaine, France, Italy, or Germanie, and then returne againe to worke. I took upon this country to be the safest spot of all Europ, neither envyed nor envying; nor are any of them rich, nor poore; they live in greate simplicity and tranquillitie;

and tho' of the 14 Cantons halfe be Roman Catholicks, the rest Reformed, yet they mutualy agree, and are confederate with Geneva, and are its onely security against its potent neighbours, as they themselves are from being attack'd by the greater Potentates, by the mutual jealousy of their neighbours; as either of them wou'd be overbalanc'd should the Swisse, who are wholy mercenarie and auxiliaries, be subjected to France or Spaine.

We were now ariv'd at St. Maurice, a large handsome towne and residence of the President, where justice is don; to him we presented our letter from Sion, and made known the ill usage we had receiv'd for killing a wretched goate, which so incens'd him as he sware if we would stay he would not onely help us to our mony againe, but most severely punish the whole rabble; but our desire of revenge had by this time subsided, and glad we were to be gotten so neere France, which we reckon'd as good as home. He courteously invited us to dine with him, but we excus'd ourselves, and returning to our inn, whilst we were eating something before we tooke horse, the Governor had caus'd two pages to bring us a present of two great vessells of cover'd plate full of excellent wine, in which we drank his heath, and rewarded y^e youthes; they were two vast bowles supported by two Swisses, handsomely wrought after the German manner. This civilitie and that of our host at Sion perfectly reconcil'd us to the highlanders; and so proceeding on our journy we pass'd this afternoone thro' the gate which divides the Valois from the Dutchy of Savoy, into which we were now entering, and so thro' Monteil we arriv'd that evening at Beveretta. Being extreamly weary and complaining of my head, and finding little accommodation in the house, I caus'd one of our hostesses daughters to be removed out of her bed and went immediately into it whilst it was yet warme, being so heavy with pain and drowainesse that I wold not stay to have the sheetes chang'd; but I shortly after payd dearly for my impatience, falling sick of the small pox as soon as I came to Geneva, for by the smell of frankincense and y^e tale y^e good woman told me of her daughter having had an ague, I afterwards concluded she had ben newly recover'd of the small pox. Notwithstanding this I went with my company the next day, hirng a bark to carry us over the Lake;

and indeede sick as I was, the weather was so serene and bright, the water so calme, and aire so temperate, that never had travellers a sweeter passage. Thus we sail'd the whole length of the Lake, about 30 miles, the countries bordering on it (Savoy and Berne) affording one of the most delightfull prospects in the world, the Alps cover'd with snow, tho' at a greate distance yet shewing their aspiring tops. Thro' this Lake the river Rhodanus passes with that velocity as not to mingle with its exceeding deep waters, which are very cleare, and breed the most celebrated trout for largenesse and goodness of any in Europe. I have ordinarily scene one of three foote in length sold in the market for a small price, and such we had in ye lodging where we abode, which was at the White Crosse. All this while I held up tolerably, and the next morning having a letter for Sign^r John Diodati, the famous Italian Minister and translator of the Holy Bible into that language, I went to his house, and had a greate deal of discourse w^t that learned person. He told me he had been in England, driven by tempest into Deale, whilst sailing for Holland, that he had scene London, and was exceedingly taken with the civilities he receiv'd. He so much approv'd of our Church Government by Bishops, that he told me the French Protestants would make no scruple to submitt to it and all its pomp, had they a King of the Reform'd Religion as we had. He exceedingly deplored the difference now betwenee his Ma^r and the Parliament. After dinner came one Mons^r Saladine with his little pupil the Earle of Carnarvon, to visit us, offering to carry us to the principal places of the towne, but being now no more able to hold up my head, I was constrain'd to keepe my chamber, imagining that my very eyes would have droppe^d out; and this night I felt such a stinging all about me that I could not sleepe. In the morning I was very ill, but sending for a doctor he persuaded me to be let bloud. He was a very learned old man, and as he said had ben physician to Gustavus the greate King of Sweden, when he pass'd this way into Italy under y^e name of Mons^r. Garse, the initial letters of Gustavus Adolphus Rex Sueciæ, and of our famous Duke of Buckingham on his returning out of Italy. He afterwards acknowledg'd that he should not have bled me had he suspected y^e small pox, which brake out a day after. He afterwards

purg'd me and applied leaches, and God knows what this would have produc'd if the spots had not appear'd, for he was thinking of bleeding me againe. They now kept me warme in bed for 16 daies, tended by a vigilant Swisse matron, whose monstrous throat, when I sometimes awak'd out of unquiet slumbers, would affright me. After the pimples were come forth, which were not many, I had much ease as to paine, but infinitely afflicted with the heat and noysomenesse. By God's mercy after five weeks keeping my chamber I went abroad. Mons. Saladine and his lady sent me many refreshments. Mons. Le Chat, my physician, to excuse his letting me bloud told me it was so burnt and vicious as it would have prov'd the plague or spotted feaver had he proceeded by any other method. On my recovering sufficiently to go abroad, I dined at Mons'. Saladine's, and in the afternoone went crosse the water on the side of the Lake, and tooke a lodging that stood exceeding pleasant about halfe a mile from the Citty for the better airyng; but I stay'd onely one night, having no company there save my pipe; so the next day I caus'd them to row me about the Lake as far as the greate stone which they call Neptune's Rock, and on which they say sacrifice was anciently offer'd to him. Thence I landed at certaine cherry-gardens and pretty villas by the side of the Lake and exceedingly pleasant. Returning I visited their conservatories of fish; in which were trouts of 6 and 7 foote long *as they affirm'd*.

The Rhone, which parts y^e Citty in y^e middst, dips into a cavern underground about 6 miles from it, and afterwards rises againe and runns its open course like our Mole or Swallow by Dorking in Surrey. The next morning (being Thursday) I heard Dr. Diodati preach in Italian, many of that Country, especialy of Lucca his native place, being inhabitants of Geneva and of the Reform'd Religion.

The towne lying between Germanie, France, and Italy, those three tongues are familiarly spoken by the inhabitants. 'Tis a strong well fortifi'd City, part of it built on a rising ground. The houses are not despicable, but the high pent-houses (for I can hardly call them cloysters, being all of wood) thro' which the people passe drie and in the shade winter and summer, exceedingly deform the fronts of the buildings. Here are abundance of booke-sellers, but their bookes are

of ill impressions; these, with watches (of which store are made here), chrystral, and excellent screw'd guns, are the staple commodities. All provisions are good and cheape.

The Townehouse is fairely built of stone; the portico has foure black marble columns, and on a table of the same under the City arms, a demie eagle and a crosse between crosse-keys, is a motto, "Post Tenebras Lux," and this inscription:

Quum anno 1535 profigata Romana Anti-Christi Tyrannie, abrogatisq; ejus superstitionibus, sacro-sancta Christi Religio hic in suam puritatem. Ecclesiā in meliorem ordinem singulari Dei beneficio repositā, et simul pulsis fugatisq; hostibus, urbs ipsa in suam Libertatem, non sine insigne miraculo, restituta fuerit; Senatus Populusq; Genevensis Monummentū hoc, perpetue memoriae causā, tieri atque hoc loco erigi curavit, quo suuu erga Deum gratitudinem ad posteros testatum fuerit.

The territories about the towne are not so large as many ordinary gentlemen have about their country farmes, for which cause they are in continual watch, especialy on the Savoy side; but in case of any siege the Swisse are at hand, as this inscription in the same place shews, towards the streete:

D. O. M. S.

Anno a verâ Religione divinitutis cum veteri Libertate Genevea restituta, et quasi novo Jubileo ineunte, plurimis vitatis domi et foris insidiis et supereratis tempestatibus, et Helvetiorum Primari Tigurini aquo jure in societatem perpetuam nobiscum venerint, et veteres fidissimi socii Bernenses prius vinculum novo adstrinxerint, S. P. Q. G. quod felix se velit D. O. M. tanti beneficij monumentum consecrarent, anno temporis ultimi 1535.XXXIV.

In the Senat house were 14 antient urnes, dug up as they were removing earth in the fortifications.

A little out of the towne is a spacious field which they call *Campus Martius*; and well it may be so tearm'd with better reason than that of Rome at present (which is no more a field but all built into streetes), for here on every Sonday after the evening devotions this precise people permitt their youths to exercise armes, and shoote in gunns and in the long and crosse bowes, in which they are exceedingly expert, reputed to be as dexterous as any people in the world. To encourage this, they yearly elect him who has won most prizes at the mark to be their

as the king of the long-bow, gun, or crosse-bow. He then bears that weapon in his hat in gold wth a crowne over it, made fast to the hat like a broach. In this field is a long house wherein their armes and furniture are kept in severall places very neatly. To this joynes a hall where at certain times they meeete and feast; in the glass windows are the armes and names of their kings [of armes]. At y^e side of the field is a very noble Pall-Mall, but it turns with an elbow. There is also a bowling-place, a tavern, and a true-table, and here they ride their menaged horses. It is also the usual place of publiq execution of those who suffer for any capital crime tho' committed in another country, by which law, divers fugitives have been put to death who have fled hither to escape punishment in their own country. Amongst other severe punishments here, adultery is death. Having scene this field and play'd a game at Mall, I supped with Mr. Saladine.

On Sunday I heard Dr. Diodati preach in French, and after the French mode, in a gowne with a cape and his hat on. The Church Government is severely Presbyterian, after the discipline of Calvin and Beza who set it up, but nothing so rigid as either our Scots or English Sectaries of that denomination. In y^e afternoone Mons^t. Morice, a most learned young person and excellent poet, chief Professor of the University, preach'd at St. Peter's, a spacious Gotick fabrick. This was heretofore a Cathedral and a reverend pile. It has 4 turrets, on one of which stands a continual sentinel; on another cannons are mounted. The Church is very decent within; nor have they at all defaced y^e painted windows, which are full of pictures of Saints; nor the stalls, which are all carv'd with y^e history of our B. Saviour.

In the afternoone I went to see the young towne's-men exercise in Mars Field, where prizes were pewter plates and dishes; 'tis said that some have gain'd competent estates by what they have thus won. Here I first saw huge balistæ or crosse-bows shot in, being such as they formerly us'd in wars before greate guns were known; they were plac'd in frames, and had greate screws to bend them, doing execution at an incredible distance. They were most accurate at the long-bow and musket, rarely missing the smallest mark. I was as huyisy with the carbine I brought from Brescia as any of them. After every shot I

found them go into the long house and cleanse their guns before they charg'd againe.

On Monday I was invited to a little garden without y^e workes where were many rare tulips, anemonies, and other choice flowers. The Rhone, running athwart y^e towne out of y^e Lake, makes halfe y^e Citty a suburb, which in imitation of Paris they call St. German's Fauxbourg, and it has a church of the same name. On two wooden bridges that crosse the river are several water-mills, and shops of trades especially smiths and cutlers; between the bridges is an island, in the midst of which is a very ancient Tower said to have been built by Julius Caesar. At the end of the other bridge is y^e Mint, and a faire Sun-dial.

Passing againe by y^e Towne-house I saw a large crocodile hanging in chaines; and against the wall of one of the chambers seaven judges were painted without hands, except one in the middle, who has but one hand; I know not y^e storie. The Arsenal is at the end of this building, well furnish'd and kept.

After dinner Mr. Morice led us to the Colledge, a faire structure; in the lower part are the scholes, which consist of 9 classes; and an hall above, where the students assemble; also a good library. They show'd us a very antient Bible of about 300 yeares old in the vulgar French, and a MS. in y^e old Monkish character: here have the Professors their lodgings. I also went to see the Hospital, which is very commodious; but the Bishop's Palace is now a prison.

This towne is not much celebrated for beautifull women, for even at this distance from the Alps the gentlewomen have something full throates, but our Captain Wray (afterwards Sir W^m. eldest son of that Sir Christopher, who had both ben in armes against his Majesty for y^e Parliament) fell so mightily in love with one of Mous^t. Saladine's daughters that with much persuasion he could not be prevail'd on to think on his journey into France, y^e season now coming on extremely hot.

My sicknesse and abode here cost me 45 pistoles of gold to my host, and five to my honest doctor, who for six weekes attendance and the apothecarie thought it so generous a reward, that at my taking leave he presented me with his advice for the regimen of my health, written

with his own hand in Latine. This regimen I much observ'd, and I bless God pass'd the journey without inconvenience from sicknesse, but it was an extraordinarily hot unpleasant season and journey by reason of y^e craggie waies.

5 July, 1646, we tooke or rather purchas'd a boat, for it could not be brought back against the streame of the Rhone. We were two days going to Lions, passing many admirable prospects of rocks and cliffs, and neere the towne down a very steepe declivitie of water for a full mile. From Lions we proceeded the next morning, taking horse to Rohan, and lay that night at Farrara. At Rohan we indulged ourselves with y^e best y^t all France affords, for here y^e provisions are choice and plentifull, so as the supper we had might have satisfied a prince. We lay that night in damask beds, and were treated like emperours. The towne is one of the neatest built in all France, on y^e brink of the Loire; and here we agreed with an old fisher to row us as farr as Orleans. The first night we came as far as Nevers, early enough to see the towne, the Cathedral (St. Cyre), the Jesuits Colledge, and the Castle, a Palace of the Duke's, with the bridge to it nobly built.

The next day we pass'd by La Charite, a pretty towne somewhat distant from the river. Here I lost my faithfull spaniel (Piccioli) who had follow'd me from Rome; it seemcs he had ben taken up by some of the Governor's pages or footemen, without recovery, which was a greate displeasure to me because the curr had many useful qualities.

The next day we ariv'd at Orleans, taking our turns to row, of which I reckon my share came to little less than 20 leagunes. Sometimes we footed it thro' pleasant fields and medows; sometimes we shot at fowls and other birds, nothing came amiss; sometimes we play'd at cards, whilst others sung or were composing verses, for we had y^e greate Poet Mr. Waller in our companie, and some other ingenious persons.

At Orleans we abode but one day; the next, leaving our mad Captaine behind us, I ariv'd at Paris, rejoic'd that after so many dissasters and accidents in a redious peregrination I was gotten so neare home, and here I resolv'd to rest myselfe beforz I went further.

It was now October, and the onely time that in my whole life I spent most idly, tempted from my more profitable recesses; but I soone recover'd my better resolutions and fell to my study, learning the High Dutch and Spanish tongues, and now and then refreshing my dauncing and such exercises as I had long omitted and w^{ch} are not in much reputation amongst the sober Italians.

1647, January 28, I chang'd my lodging in the Place de Mons^t. de Metz neere the Abby of S^t Germain^s; and thence on the 12th Feby to another in Rue Columbier, where I had a very faire appartement which cost me 4 pistoles per moneth. The 18th I frequented a course of Chymistrie, the famous M^r. Le Febure operating upon most of the nobler processes. March 3, Mons^r Mercure began to teach me ou y^e late, tho' to small perfection.

In May I fell sick and had very weak eyes, for which I was foure times let blood.

22 May. My valet (Hebert) robb'd me of cloths and plate to the value of threescore pounds, but thro' the diligence of Sir Richard Browne, his Majesty's Resident at the Court of France, and with whose lady and family I had contracted a greate friendship (and particularly set my affections on a daughter) I recover'd most of them, obtaining of the Judge with no small difficulty that the processe against the thiefe should not concerne his life, being his first offence.

10 June. We concluded about my marriage, in order to which I went to St. Germans, where his Majesty, then Prince of Wales, had his court, to desire of Dr. Earle, then one of his Chaplains (since Dean of Westminster, Clerke of the Closet, and Bishop of Salisburie) that he would accompany me to Paris, which he did, and on Thursday 27 June, 1647, he married us in Sir Richard Browne's Chapell betwixte the houres of 11 and 12, some few select freinds being present: and this being Corpus Christi feast was solemnly observ'd in this country: the streetes were sumptuously hung with tapissry, and strew'd with flowers.

10 Sept. Being call'd into England to settle my affaires after an absence of about 4 yeares, I tooke leave of the Prince and Queene, leaving my wife, yet very young, under the care of an excellent lady and prudent mother.

4 Oct. I seal'd and declared my Will, and that morning went from Paris, taking my journey thro' Rouen, Dieppe, Vile-dieu, and St. Vallerie where I staid one day with Mr. Waller with whom I had some affaires, and for which cause I tooke this circle to Calais, where I ariv'd on the 11th, and that night imbarkeing in the paquet-boate, was by one o'clock got safe to Dover, for which I heartily put up my thanks to God who had conducted me safe to my owne country, and ben mercifull to me thro' so many aberrations. Hence taking post I ariv'd at London the next day at evening, being the second of October new style.

5 Oct. I came to Wotton, the place of my birth, to my brother, and on the 10th to Hampton Court, where I had the honour to kisse his Majesty's hand, and give him an account of severall things I had in charge, he being now in the power of those execrable villains who not long after murder'd him. I lay at my cousin Serjeant Hatton's at Thames Ditton, whence on the 13th I went to London.

14th. To Sayes Court at Deptford in Kent (since my house), where I found Mr. Pretyman my wife's uncle, who had charge of it and the estate about it during my father-in-law's residence in France. On the 15th I again occupied my owne Chambers at the Middle Temple.

9 Nov. My sister open'd to me her marriage with Mr. Glanvill.

1648. 14 Jan. From London I went to Wotton to see my young nephew; and thence to Baynards [in Ewhurst] to visite my brother Richard.

5 Feb. Saw a Tragie-comedy acted in the Cockpit, after there had ben none of these diversions for many years during the warr.

28. I went with my noble friend Sir W^m Ducy (afterwards Lord Downe) to Thistleworth, where we din'd with Sir Clepesby Crew, and afterwards to see the rare miniatures of Peter Oliver and rounds of plaster, and then the curious flowers of Mr. Barill's garden, who has some good medaills and pictures. Sir Clepesby has fine Indian hangings and a very good chimney-piece of water-colours by Breugel, which I bought for him.

26 April. There was a greate uprere in London that the Rebells Armie quartering at Whitehall would plunder the Citty, on which there was publish'd a Proclamation for all to stand on their guard.

4. May. Came up the Essex Petitioners for an agreement 'twixt his Majesty and the Rebels. The 16th the Surrey men address'd the Parliament for the same; of which some of them were slayne and murder'd by Cromwell's guards in the New Palace Yard. I now sold the Impropriation of South Malling neere Lewes in Sussex to Mr. Kemp and Alcock for £3000.

30 May. There was a rising now in Kent, my Lord of Norwich being at the head of them. Their first rendevous was in Broome field next my house at Says-Court, whence they went to Maidstone, and so to Colchester, where was that memorable siege.

27 June. I purchas'd the Manor of Huccott in Worcestershire of my brother George for £3000.

1 July. I sate for my picture, in which there is a Death's head, to Mr. Walker, that excellent painter.

10. Newes was brought me of my Lord Francis Villers being slaine by y^e Rebels neere Kingston.

16. Aug. I went to Woodcote (in Epsom) to the wedding of my brother Richard, who married the daughter and coheire of Esq^r Minn lately deceas'd, by which he had a greate estate both in land and monie on the death of a brother. The coach in which the bride and bride-groome were, was overturn'd in coming home, but no harm was done.

28. To London from Says Court, and saw y^e celebrated follies of Bartholomew Fair.

Sept. 16. Caine my lately married brother Richard and his wife to visite me, when I shewed them Greenewich and her Majesties Palace, now possessed by the Rebels.

28. I went to Albury to visite the Countess of Arundel, and return'd to Wotton.

31 Oct. I went to see my Manor of Preston Beckhelvyn and the Cliffhouse.

29th Nov. My selfe with Mr. Tho: Offley and Lady Gerrard, christened my niece Mary, eldest daughter of my brother George Evelyn by my Lady Cotton his second wife. I presented my niece a piece of plate which cost me £18, and caused this inscription to be set on it:

"In memoriam facti"

Anno c1o. Ix. xliix. Cal. Decemb. viii. Virginum castiss: Xtionorum innocentiss: Nept: suaviss: Mariae, Johan: Evelynus Avunculus et Susceptor Vasculum hoc cum Epigraphe L. M. Q. D.
Ave Maria, Gratia sis plena; Dominus tecum."

2 Dec. This day I sold my Manor of Hureott for £3400 to one Mr. Bridges.

13. The Parliament now sat up the whole night and eudeavour'd to have concluded the Isle of Wight Treaty, but were surpriz'd by the Rebell Army, y^e Members dispers'd, and greate confusion every where in expectation of what would be next.

17. I heard an Italian sermon in Mercers Chapel, one Dr. Middleton, an acquaintance of mine, preaching.

18. I got privately into the Council of y^e Rebell Army at White-hall, where I heard horrid villanies.

This was a most exceeding wet yeare, neither frost nor snow all the Winter for more than 6 days in all. Cattle died every where of a murrain.

1649, 1 Jan. I had a lodging and some bookes at my father in law's house, Sayes Court.

2 Jan. I went to see my old friend and fellow-traveller Mr. Henshaw, who had 2 rare pieces of Stenwyek's perspective.

17. To London. I heard the Rebell Peters incite the Rebell Powers met in the Painted Chamber to destroy his Ma^t, and saw that arch-traytor Bradshaw, who not long after condemn'd him.

19. I returned home, passing an extraordinary danger of being drowned by our wherries falling foule in the night on another vessell then at anker, shooting the bridge at 3 quarters ebb, for which His mercy God Almighty be prais'd.

21. Was publish'd my Trauslation of Liberty and Servitude, for y^e Preface of which I was severely threatened.

22. I went thro' a course of Chymistrie at Sayes Court. Now was the Thames frozen over, and horrid tempests of wind.

The villanie of the Rebell proceeding now so far as to trie, condemnate and murder our excellent King on y^r 30th of this month, struck me

with such horror that I kept the day of his martyrdom a fast, and would not be present at that execrable wickednesse, receiving the sad account of it from my brother George and Mr. Owen, who came to visite me this afternoone, and recounted all the circumstances.

1 Feb. Now were Duke Hamilton, the Earl of Norwich, Lord Capell, &c. at their tryal before the Rebells *New Court of Injustice*.

15. I went to see y^e collection of one Trean, a rich merchant, who had some good pictures, especialy a rare perspective of Stenwyck; from thence to other Virtuoso's. The paynter La Neve has an *Andromeda*, but I think it a copy after Vandyke from Titian, for the original is in France. Webb at the Exchange has some rare things in miniature of Breugel's, also Putti* in 12 squares, that were plunder'd from Sir James Palmer. At Du Bois we saw 2 tables of Putti, that were gotten, I know not how, out of the Castle of St. Angelo by old Petit, thought to be Titian's; he had some good heads of Palina, and one of Stenwyck. Belcar shew'd us an excellent copy of his Majesty's *Sleeping Venus and the Satyre* with other figures, for now they had plunder'd, sold, and dispers'd a world of rare paintings of y^e King's and his loyall subjects. After ail, Sr W^m Ducey shew'd me some excellent things in miniature, and in oyle of Holbein's, Sr Tho. More's head, and an whole figure of *Edward 6th*, which were certainly his Majesty's, also a picture of *Queene Elizabeth*, the *Lady Isabella Thynn*; a rare painting of Rothenhamer, being a *Susanna*; and a *Magdalen* of Quintin the Blacksmith; also an *Hen. 8. of Holbein*; and *Francis y^r first*, rare indeede, but of whose hand I knew not.

16. Paris being now strictly besieged by the Prince de Condé, my wife being shut up with her father and mother, I wrote a letter of consolation to her; and on the 22d having recommended Obadiah Walker†, a learned and most ingenious person, to be tutor to and to travell with Mr. Hillyard's two sonns, returned to Says Court.

25. Came to visite me Dr. Joyliffe, discoverer of the lymphatic vessels, and an excellent anatomist.

* Putti—Boys' Heads.

† Mr. Evelyn has added in the margin against Walker's name, "Since an apostate." He was master of University College, Oxford.

26. Came to see me Capt. Geo. Evelyn^{*} my kineman y^e grete traveller, and one who believ'd himself a better architect than really he was, witness the Portico in the garden at Wotton; yet the greate roome at Albury is somewhat better understood. He had a larg mind, bat overbuilt every thing.

27. Came out of France my wife's uncle (Paris still besieged) being rob'd at sea by the Duukyrrk pirates: I lost among other goods my Wife's picture painted by Mons^r Bourdon.

5 March. Now were the Lords murder'd in the Palace Yard†.

18. Mr. Owen, a sequester'd and learned minister, preach'd in my parlour, and gave us the blessed Sacrament, now wholly out of use in the Parish Chnches, on which the Presbyterians and Fanatics had usurp'd.

21 Mar. I received letters from Paris from my wife, and from Sir Richard [Browne] with whom I kept a political correspondence, with no small danger of being discover'd.

25. I heard the Common Prayer (a rare thing in these days) in St. Peter's at Paul's Wharf, London; and in y^e morning the Archbishop of Armagh, that pious person and learned man, Usher, in Lincoln's Inn Chapell.

April 2. To London, and inventoried my moveables that had bitherto ben dispersed for feare of plundering: wrote into France touching my suddaine resolutions of coming over to them. On the 8th againe heard an excellent discourse from Archbp. Usher on Ephes: 4. v. 26-27.

My Italian collection being now ariv'd, came Moulins y^e grete Chirurgeon, to see and admire the Tables of Veins and Arteries which I purchas'd and caus'd to be drawne out of several humane bodies at Padua.

11. Received newes out of France that peace was concluded: dined with Sir Jo. Evelyn at Westminster: and on the 13th I saw a private dissection at Moulins' house.

17. I fell dangerously ill of my head; was blistered and let blood behind y^e eares and forehead: on the 23rd began to have ease by using

* Son of Sir John Evelyn of Godstone; see Pedigree in the History of Surrey, vol. II, p. 180, but where he is, by mistake stated to be brother of Sir John.

† Duke Hamilton, the Earl of Holland, and Lord Capel.

the fumes of camomile on embers applied to my ears after all the physicians had don their best.

29. I saw in London an huge ox bred in Kent, 17 foote in length, and much higher than I could reach.

12 May. I purchased the Manor of Warley Magna in Essex: in the afternoone went to see Gildron's collection of payntings, where I found Mr. Endymion Porter of his late Ma^{ies} Bedchamber.

17. Went to Putney by water in barge with divers ladies, to see the Schooles or Colledges of the young gentlewomen*.

19. To see a rare cabinet of one Delabarr, who had some good paintings, especially a *Monk at his beades*.

30 May. Un-kingship was proclaim'd, and his Majesty's statues thrown down at St. Paul's Portico and the Exchange.

7 June. I visited Sir Arthur Hopton (brother to Sir Ralph, Lord Hopton, that noble hero), who having ben Ambass^r Extraordinary in Spaine, sojourn'd some time with my Father-in-law at Paris; a most excellent person. Also Signora Lucretia, a Greeke Lady whom I knew in Italy, now come over with her husband, an English gentleman. Also the Earle and Countesse of Arundel, taking leave of them and other friends now ready to depart for France. This night was a scuffle betweene some rebell souldiers and gentlemen about the Temple.

10. Preach'd the Abp. of Armagh in Lincoln's Inn from Romans 5: verse 13. I received the Blessed Sacrament preparatory to my journey.

13. I din'd with my worthy friend Sir John Owen, newly freed from sentence of death among the Lords that suffer'd. With him was one Carew, who play'd incomparably on the Welsh harp: afterwards I treated divers Ladies of my relations, in Spring Garden.

This night was buried with great pomp Dorislaus, slaine at the Hague, the villain who manag'd the trial against his sacred Majesty.

17. I got a passe from the rebell Bradshaw, then in greate power.

20. I went to Putney and other places on y' Thames to take

* Kent probably by Mrs. Bathua Makins, the most learned woman of her time: she had been tutor to the Princess Elizabeth, King Charles's daughter. There is a very rare portrait of her by Marshall.

prospects in crayon to carry into France, where I thought to have them engrav'd*.

2 July. I went from Wotton to Godstone (the residence of Sir John Evelyn), where was also Sir John Evelyn of Wilts, when I took leave of both Sir Johns and their ladys. Mem. the prodigious memory of Sir John of Wilts daughter, since married to Mr. W. Pierrepont, and mother of y^e present Earle of Kingston. I returned to Says Court this night.

4. Visited Lady Hatton, her Lord sojourning at Paris with my father-in-law.

9. Dined with Sir Walter Pye and my good friend Mr. Eaton, afterwards a Judge, who corresponded with me in France.

11. Came to see me old Alexander Rosse, the Divine, Historian and Poet; Mr. Henshaw, Mr. Scudamore, and other friends, to take leave of me.

12. It was about 3 in y^e afternoon I tooke oares for Gravesend, accompanied by my cousin Stephens and sister Glanvill, who there supp'd with me and return'd; whence I tooke post immediately to Dover, where I ariv'd by 9 in the morning, and about 11 that night went on board a bark guarded by a pinnace of 8 guns; this being the first time the pacquett-boate had obtain'd a convoy, having severall times before ben pillag'd. We had a good passage, tho' chas'd for some houres by a pyrate, but he durst not attaq our fregat, and we then chas'd him till he got under the protection of the Castle at Calais. It was a small privateer belonging to the Prince of Wales. I carried over with me my servant Ri. Hoare, an incomparable writer of several hands, whom I afterwards preferr'd in the Prerogative Office† at y^e return of his Majesty. Lady Catherine Scot, daughter of y^e Earle of Norwich, follow'd us in a shallop with Mr. Arthur Slingsby, who left England incognito. At the entrance of the towne the Lieut. Governor being on his horse with y^e Guards let us passe courteously. I visited Sir Richard Lloyd, an English Gent. in the towne, and walked in the

* One of these he etched himself. The plate is now at Wotton.

† Whole specimens of his writing in the entry of Wills about this date may now be seen.

Church, where the ornament about the high altar of black marble is very fine, and there is a good picture of the *Assumption*. The Citadell seemes to be impregnable, and the whole country about it to be laied under water by sluices for many miles.

16. We departed for Paris in company with that very pleasant lady, and others. In all this journey we were greatly apprehensive of parties, which caus'd us to alight often out of our coach and walke separately on foot with our guns ready in all suspected places.

1 Aug. At 3 in the afternoone we came to St. Denis, saw y^e rarities of y^e Church and Treasury, and so to Paris that evening.

The next day came to wellcome me at dinner the Lord High Treasurer Cottington, S^r Edward Hide Chancellor, S^r Edw^d Nicholas Secretary of State, S^r George Cartret Governor of Jersey, and Dr. Earle, having now ben absent from my Wife above a yeare and halfe.

18. I went to St. Germain's to kisse his Majesty's hand; in y^e coach, which was my Lord Wilmot's, went Mrs. Barlow the King's mistresse and mother to y^e Duke of Monmouth, a browne, beautifull, bold, but insipid creature.

19. I went to salute the French King and the Queene Dowager; and on the 21st returned in one of the Queenes coaches with my Lord Germain, Duke of Buckingham, L^d Wentworth, & Mr. Croftes, since Lord Croftes.

7 Sept. Went with my Wife and deare Cosin to St. Germain, and kissed the Queene-mother's hand; din'd with my L. Keeper and Lord Hatton. Divers of the greate men of France came to see the King; the next day came the Priuce of Condé. Returning to Paris we went to see the President Maison's Palace, built castlewise of a milk-white fine freestone; the house not vast, but well contriv'd, especialy the staire-case and the ornaments of Putti about it. 'Tis environ'd in a dry moate, the offices under-ground, the gardens very excellent with extraordinary long walkes set with elmes, and a noble prospect towards the forest and on the Seine towards Paris. Take it altogether, the meadows, walkes, river, forest, corne-ground, and vineyards, I hardly saw any thing in Italy exceede it. The yron gates are very magnificent. He has pulled downe a whole village to make roome for his pleasure about it.

12. Dr. Crighton, a Scotchman and one of his Ma^{ies} Chaplaines, a learned Grecian who set out y^e Council of Florence, preached.

13. The King invited y^e Prince of Condé to supper at St. Cloud; there I kiss'd the Duke of York's hand in y^e Tennis Court, where I saw a famous match 'twixt Mons. Saumeurs and Col. Cooke, and so returned to Paris. 'Twas noised about that I was knighted, a dignity I often declin'd.

1 Oct. Went with my cousin Tuke (afterwards Sir Samuel) to see y^e fountaines of St. Cloud and Ruel, and after dinner to talke with y^e poore ignorant and superstitious Anchorite at Mount Calvary, and so to Paris.

2. Came Mr. William Coventrie (afterwards S^r Will^m) & the Duke's Secretary, &c. to visite me.

5. Dined with Sir George Radcliffe y^e greate favourite of the late Earle of Strafford, formerly Lord Deputy of Ireland, decapitated.

7. To the Louvre to visite the Countesse of Morton, Governesse to Madame.

15. Came news of Drogheda being taken by y^e Rebells and all put to y^e sword, wh^{ch} made us very sad, fore-running the losse of all Ireland.

21. I went to heare Dr. D'Avinson's lecture in y^e physical garden, and see his laboratorie, he being Prefect of y^e excellent Garden and Professor Botanicus.

30. I was at y^e funerall of one Mr. Downes, a sober English gentleman. We accompanied his corpse to Charenton, where he was interr'd in a cabbage-garden, yet with the office of our Church, wh^{ch} was said before in our Chapell at Paris. Here I saw also where they buried y^e greate Souldier Gassion, who had a tombe built over him like a fountaine, the designe and materials meane enougth. I returned to Paris with Sir Phil: Musgrave, & Sir Marmaduk Langdale, since Lord Langdale.—Memorandum. This was a very sickly and mortal Autumn.

5 Nov. I receiv'd divers letters out of England, requiring me to come over about settling some of my concerne.

7. Dr. George Morley (since Bishop of Winchester) preach'd in our Chapell on Matt: 4, verse 3.

18. I went with my Father-in-law to his audience at the French Court, where next the Pope's Nuncio he was introduced by y^e Master

of Ceremonies, and after delivery of his credentials, as from our King since his Father's murder, he was most graciously receiv'd by the King of Fratice and his Mother, with whom he had a long audience. This was in the Palais Cardinal.

After this, being presented to his Majesty and y^e Queene Regent, I went to see y^e house built by y^e late greate Cardinal de Richelieu. The most observable thing is the gallerie painted wth the portraits of the most illustrious persons and signal actions in France, with innumerable emblemes 'twixt every table. In y^e middle of y^e gallery is a neat chapell rarely paved in worke and devices of severall sorts of marble, besides y^e altar-piece and 2 statues of white marble, one of St. John, y^e other of y^e Virgin Mary, by Bernini. The rest of y^e apartments are rarely gilded and carv'd, wth some good modern paintings. In the presence hang 3 huge branches of chrystal. In y^e French King's bed-chamber is an alcove like another chamber, set as it were in a chamber like a moveable box, with a rich embroide red bed. The fabric of the Palace is not magnificent, being but of 2 stories, but the garden is so spacious as to containe a noble basin and fountaine continually playing, and there is a Mall, with an elbow or turning to protract it. So I left his Majesty on y^e terrace, busie in seeing a bull-baiting, and return'd home in Prince Edward's coach with Mr. Paule, y^e Prince Elector's agent.

19. Visited Mr. Waller, where meeting Dr. Holden, an English Sorbonne Divine, we fell into some discource about Religion.

28 Dec. Going to waite on Mr. Waller, I view'd St. Stephen's Church; y^e building tho' Gotic is full of carving; within it is beautifull, especiaaly the quire and winding staires. The glasse is well painted, and the tapissry hung up this day about the quire, representing the conversion of Constantine, was exceeding rich.

I went to that excellent engraver Du Bosse, for his instruction about some difficulties in perspective which were delivered in his booke.

I concluded this yeare in health, for w^{ch} I gave solemu thanks to Almighty God *.

* This he does not fail to repeat at the end of every year, but it will not always be necessary to insert it in this book.

29. I christned S^r Hugh Rilie's child with S^r Geo. Radcliffe in our Chapell, the parents being so poore that they had provided no gossips, so as severall of us drawing lotts it fell on me, the Deane of Peterborow (Dr. Cosin) officiating: We named it Andrew, being on the eve of y^e Apostle's day.

1650. Jan^y 1. I began this Jubilie with y^e publiq office in our Chapel: din'd at my Lady Herbert's, wife of Sir Edw: Herbert, afterwards Lord Keeper.

18. This night was y^e Prince of Condé and his Brother carried prisoners to y^e Bois de Vincennes.

Feb. 6. In the evening came Sign' Allessandro, one of y^e Card'. Mazarine's musitians, and a person of greate name for his knowledge in y^e art, to visite my wife, and sung before divers persons of quality in my chamber.

1 March. I went to see y^e masquerados w^{ch} was very fantastic, but nothing so quiet and solemn as I found it at Venice.

13. Saw a triumph in Mons'. del Camp's Academie, where divers of the French and Euglish Noblesse, especialy my Lord of Ossorie, and Richard, sonns to the Marquis of Ormond (afterwards Duke), did their exercises on horseback in noble equipage, before a world of spectators and greate persons, men and ladies. It ended in a collation.

April 25. I went out of towne to see Madrid, a palace so call'd, built by Francis y^e First (see p. 45.) 'Tis observable onely for its open manner of architecture, being much of tarraces and galleries one over another to y^e very roofe, and for y^e materials, which are most of earth painted like Porcelain or China-ware, whose colours appeare very fresh, but is very fragile. There are whole statues and relievos of this potterie, chimney-pieces and columns both within and without. Under the chapell is a chimny in the midst of a roome parted from the *Salle des Gardes*. The house is fortified with a deepe ditch, & has an admirable vista towards the Bois de Boulogne & River.

30. I went to see y^e collection of y^e famous sculptor Stefano de la Bella returning now into Italy, and bought some prints: and likewise visited Perelle y^e landskip graver.

3 May. At y^e Hospital of La Charité I saw y^e operation of cutting for y^e stone. A child of 8 or 9 yeares old underwent y^e operation with most extraordinary patience, and expressing greate joy when he saw the stone was drawn. The use I made of it was to give Almighty God hearty thankes that I had not ben subject to this deplorable infirmitie.

7. I went with S^r Richard Browne's lady and my wife, together with y^e Earle of Chesterfield, Lord Ossorie and his brother, to Vamber, a place neere y^e Citty famous for butter; when coming homewards, being on foote, a quarrel arose between Lord Ossorie and a man in a garden, who thrust Lord Ossorie from the gate with uncivil language, on which our young gallants struck the fellow on the pate, and bid him aske pardon, which he did with much submission, and so we parted; but we were not gon far before we heard a noise behind us, and saw people coming with gunns, swords, staves, and forks, and who followed fling-ing stones; on which we turn'd and were forc'd to engage, and wth our swords, stones, and the help of our servants (one of whom had a pistol) made our retreate for neere a quarter of a mile, when we took shelter in a house, where we were besieg'd, and at length forc'd to submit to be prisoners. Lord Hatton with some others were taken prisoners in the flight, and his lordship was confin'd under 3 locks and as many doores in this rude fellow's master's house, who pretended to be steward to Mons^r. St. Germain, one of the Presidents of the Grand Chambre du Parliament and a Canon of Notre Dame. Severall of us were much hurt. One of our lacquies escaping to Paris, caused y^e bailiff of St. Germain to come with his guard and rescue us. Immediately afterwards came Mons^r. St. Germain himselfe in greate wrath on hearing that his housekeeper was assault'd; but when he saw the King's Officers, the Gentlemen and Noblemen, with his Majesty's Resident, and understood the occasion, he was ashamed of the accident, requesting the fellow's pardon, and desiring the ladys to accept their submission and a supper at his house. It was 10 o'clock at night ere we got to Paris, guarded by Prince Griffith, (a Welch hero going under that name, and well known in England for his extravagances,) together with the scholars of two academies who came forth to assist and meeke us on horseback, and

would faine have alarm'd y^e towne we receiv'd y^e affront from, which with much ado we prevented.

12. Complaint being come to y^e Queene and Court of France of y^e affront we had receiv'd, the President was ordered to aske pardon of S^r R. Browne, his Majesty's Resident, and the fellow to make submision and be dismiss'd. There came along with him President de Thou, sonn of the greate Thuauus [the historian], and so all was compos'd. But I have often heard that gallant gentleman my Lord Ossorie affirme solemly that in all the conflicts he ever was in at sea or on land, (in the most desperate of both which he had often ben) he believ'd he was never in so much danger as when these people rose against us. He us'd to call it the *battaill de Fambre*, and remember it with a greate deale of mirth as an adventure *en cavalier*.

24. We were invited by the Noble Academies to a running at y^e Ring, where were many brave horses, gallants and ladys, my Lord Stanhope entertaining us wth a collation.

12 June. Being Trinity Sunday the Dean of Peterborough preach'd; after which there was an ordination of two Divines, Durell and Brevent (y^e one was afterwards Deane of Windsor, y^e other of Durham, both very learned persons). The Bishop of Galloway officiated with greate gravity, after a pious and learned exhortation declarng y^e weight and dignitie of their function, especialy now in a time of y^e poore Church of England's affliction; he magnified y^e sublimity of the calling, from the object, viz. the salvation of men's soules, and the glory of God; producing many humane instances of the transitoriness and vanity of all other dignities; that of all the triumphs the Roman Conquerors madé, none was comparable to y^t of our Blessed Saviours when he lead Captivitie captive, and gave gifts to men, namely that of the Holy Spirit, by which his faithfull and painefull Ministers triumphed over Satan as oft as they reduc'd a sinner from the error of his ways. He then proceeded to y^e ordination. They were presented by the Deane in their surplices before the altar, the Bishop sitting in a chaire at one side; and so were made both Deacons and Priests at y^e same time, in regard to the necessitie of the times, there being so few Bishops left in England, and consequently danger of a failure of both functions.



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Lastly they proceeded to y^e Communion. This was all perform'd in Sir Richard Browne's Chapell at Paris.

13 June. I sate to the famous sculptor Nantouil, who was afterwards made a knight by the French King for his art. He engrav'd my picture in copper*. At a future time he presented me with my own picture†, done all with a pen; an extraordinary curiosity.

21 June. I went to see the Samaritan or Pump at y^e end of y^e Pont Neuf, which tho' to appearance promising no greate matter, is, besides the machine, furnish'd with innumerable rarities both of art and nature; especialy y^e costly Grotto, where are the fairest corals growing out of y^e very rock, that I have seen; also great pieces of chrystral, amethysts, gold in y^e mine, and other mettals and marcasites, with two greate conchas, which the owner told us cost him 200 crownes at Amsterdam. He shew'd us many landskips and prospects very rarely painted in miniature, some with the pen and crayon; divers antiquities and reliuos of Rome; above all, that of the inside of the Amphitheater of Titus incomparably drawn by Mons^t. St. Clere‡ himselfe; two boys and three skeletons moulded by Flamingo; a booke of statues with the pen made for Hen. IV. rarely executed, and by which one may discover many errors in the taille douce of Perrier, who has added divers conceits of his owne that are not in y^e originals. He has likewise an infinite collection of taille douces richly bound in Morocco. He led us into a stately chamber furnish'd to have entertain'd a prince, with pictures of the greatest masters, especialy a *Venus* of Perino del Vaga; y^e *Pufo* carved in the chimney-piece by the Fleming; the vasas of porcelan, and many design'd by Raphael; some paintings of Pousein and Floravanti; antiques in brasse; the looking-glassee and stands rarely carved. In a word, all was greate, choice and magnifificent, and not to be pass'd by as I had often don, without the least suspicion that there were such rare things to be seene in that place. At a future visit he shew'd a new grotto and bathing-place, hew'd thro' y^e battlements

* Now in the Library at Wotton, an impression from which is here given.

† Also those of his Lady and Sir R. Browne, which are also at Wotton, most beautifully executed.

‡ This was the name of the owner.

of y^e arches of Pont Neuf, into a wide vault at y^e intercolumpiation, so that y^e coaches and horses thunder'd over our heads.

27 June. I made my will, and taking leave of my wife and other friends tooke horse for England, payng the Messager 8 pistoles for me and my servant to Calais, setting out with 17 in company well arm'd, some Portugeses, Swisse and French, whereof 6 were Captaines and Officers. We came the first night to Beaumont; next day to Beauvais, and lay at Pois, and the next, without dining, reach'd Abbeville; next diu'd at Montreuil, and proceeding met a company of foote (being now within the inroadses of the parties which dangerously infest this day's journey from St. Omers and the Frontiers) which we drew very neere to, ready and resolute to charge through, and accordingly were order'd and led by a captaine of our traine; but as we were on y^e speede, they cal'd out, and prov'd to be Scotchmen newly rais'd and landed, and few arm'd among them. This night we were well treated at Bollogue. The next day we march'd in good order, the passage being now exceeding dangerous, and got to Calais by a little after 2. The sun so scorch'd my face that it made y^e skin peel off.

I din'd with Mr. Booth his Majesty's Agent, and about 3 in y^e afternoone imbark'd in the packet-boat: hearing there was a pirate then also setting saile, we had security from molestation, and so with a fair S. W. wind, in 7 hours we landed at Dover. The buisy watchman would have us to the Major to be searched, but the gent. being in bed we were dismiss'd.

Next day, being Sonday, they would not permit us to ride post, so that afternoone our trunks were visited.

The next moruing by 4 we sat out for Canterbury, where I met with my Lady Catherine Scot, whom that very day twelve months before I met at sea going for France; she had ben visiting S^r Tho. Peyton not far off, and would needes carry me in her coach to Gravesend. We din'd at Sittingbourn, came late to Gravesend, and so to Deptford, taking leave of my lady about 4 the next morning.

5th July. I supped in the City with my Lady Cath. Scott at Mr. Dubois, where was a gentlewoman call'd Everard, that was a very great Chymist.

Sunday 7 July. In the afternoone having a mind to see what was doing among the Rebels, then in full possession at White-hall, I went thither and found one at exercise in the Chapell, after their way; thence to St. James's, where another was preaching in the Court abroad.

17. I went to London to obtain a passe, intending but a short stay in England.

25th. I went by Epsom to Wotton, saluting S^r Rob. Cook and my sister Glanvill; the country was now much molested by souldiers, who tooke away gentlemen's horses for the service of the State as then call'd.

4 Aug. I heard a sermon at the Rolls; and in the afternoone wander'd to divers churches, the pulpits full of novices and novelties.

6th. To Mr. Walker's, a good painter, who shew'd me an excellent copie of Titian.

12 July. Sat out for Paris, taking post at Gravesend, and so that night to Canterbury, where being surpriz'd by the souldiers, and having only an antiquated passe, with some fortunate dexterity I got cleare of them, tho' not without extraordinary hazard, having before counterfeited one with successse, it being so difficult to procure one of the Rebels without entering into oathes, which I never would do. At Dover money to the searchers and officers was as authentiq as the hand and seale of Bradshaw himselfe, where I had not so much as my trunk open'd.

13. At 6 in the evening set saile for Calais, the wind not favourable I was very sea sick, coming to an anker about one o'clock; about five in the morning we had a long boate to carry us to land tho' at a good distance; this we willingly enter'd, because two vessels were chasing us, but being now almost at the harbour's mouth, thro' inadvertency there brake in upon us two such heavy seas as had almost sunk the boate, I being neere the middle up in water. Our steeresman it seemes apprehensive of the danger was preparing to leape into y^e sea and trust to swimming, but seeing the vessell emerge, he put her into the Pier, and so, God be thanked! we got to Calais, tho' wett.

Here I waited for company, y^e passage towards Paris being still infested with volunteers from the Spanish frontiers.

16. The Regiment of Picardy, consisting of about 1400 horse and foote (amongst them was a Capt. whom I knew), being come to towne, I took horses for my selfe and servant, and march'd under their protection to Boulogne. 'Twas a miserable spectacle to see how these tatter'd sooldiers pillag'd y^e poore people of their sheepe, poultry, corne, catell, and whatever came in their way; but they had such ill pay that they were ready themselves to starve.

As we pass'd St. Denis the people were in uproar, y^e guards doubl'd, and every body running with their moveables to Paris, on an alarme that the Enemy was within 5 leagues of them, so miserably expos'd was even this part of France at this time.

The 30th I got to Paris, after an absence of two moneths onely.

1 Sept. My Lady Herbert invited me to dinner; Paris, and indeede all France being full of loyall fugitives.

Came Mr. Waller to see me, about a child of his which the Popish midwife had baptiz'd.

Oct. 15. S^r Tho. Osborn (afterwards Lord Treasurer) and Lord Stanhop shot for a wager of 5 Louis to be spent on a treat; they shot so exact that it was a drawn match.

Nov. 1. Took leave of my Lord Stanhop going on his journey towards Italy: also visited my L^d Hatton, Comptroller of his Ma^{tis} Household, the Countesse of Morton Governesse to the Lady Henrietta, and Mrs. Garder one of the Queen's Maids of Honour.

6. S^r Tho. Osborn supping with us, his groome was set upon in the streete before our house and receiv'd two wounds, but gave the assassin nine, who was carried off to the Charité hospital. S^r Tho. went for England on the 8th, and carried divers letters for me to my friends.

16. I went to Mons' Visse's, the French King's Secretary, to a concert of French music and voices, consisting of 24, two theorbo's and but one bass viol, being a rehearsal of what was to be sung at vespers at St. Cecilia's, on her feast, she being patronesse of Musitians. News arriv'd of the death of the Pr. of Orange of the small pox.

14 Dec. I went to visite Mr. Ratcliffe, in whose lodg^g was an impostor that had like to have impos'd upon us a pretended secret of

multiplying gold ; 'tis certain he had liv'd some time in Paris in extraordinary splendor, but I found him to be an egregious cheate.

22. Came the learned Dr. Boet to visite me.

31. I gave God thanks for his mercy and protection the past yeare, and made up my accompts, which came this yeare to 7015 livres, neere £600 sterling.

1651. 1 Jan. I wrote to my brother at Wotton about his garden and fountaines. After evening Prayer Mr. Wainsford called on me : he had long ben Consul at Aleppo, and told me many strange things of those countries, the Arabs especially.

27. I had letters of the death of Mrs. Newton, my grandmother-in-law ; she had a most tender care of me during my childhood, and was a woman of extraordinarie charity and piety.

29. Dr. Duncan preached on 8 Marc. 34, shewing the mischiefe of covetousnesse. My L^d Marq. of Ormond and Inchiqueen, come newly out of Ireland, were this day at Chapell.

9 Feb. Card^l Mazarine was proscrib'd by Arret du Parlement, and great commotions began in Paris.

23. I went to see the Bonnes Hommes, a Convent that has a fayr cloister painted with y^e lives of the Eremites ; a glorious altar now erecting in the chapell ; the garden on a rock with divers descentes, with a fine vineyard and a delicate prospect towards the Citty.

24. I went to see a Dromedarie, a very monstrous beaste, much like the Camel but larger. There was also dauncing on the rope ; but above all surprizing to those who were ignorant of the addresse, was the water-spouter*, who drinking only fountaine water, rendred out of his mouth in severall glasses all sorts of wine and sweete waters, &c. For a piece of money he discover'd the secret to me. I waited on Frier Nicholas at the Convent at Challiot, who being an excellent chymist shew'd me his Laboratorie and rare collection of Spagyrical remedies. He was both physician and apothecarie of y^e Convent, and insteade of y^e names of his drogues, painted his boxes and potts with y^e figure of y^e drug or simple contain'd in them. He shew'd me as a raritie some

* Florin Macchamb. He afterwards exhibited himself in England. Prefixed to an Account of his exploits is a wood-cut of him.

of antimonie * : he had cur'd Mons^r Senetan of a desperate sickness, for w^{ch} there was building a monumental altar that was to cost £:1500.

11th March. I went to the Châtelet or Prison, where a malefactor was to have the question or torture given to him, he refusing to confess the robbery with which he was charg'd, which was thus: they first bound his wrist with a strong rope or small cable, and one end of it to an iron ring made fast to y^e wall about 4 foote from y^e floore, and then his feete with another cable, fastned about 5 foot farther than his uttmost length to another ring on the floore of the roome: thus suspended and yet lying but aslant, they slid an horse of wood under the rope w^{ch} bound his feete, which so exceedingly stiffned it, as sever'd the fellow's joynts in miserable sort, drawing him out at length in an extraordinary manuer, he having onely a paire of linen drawers on his naked body: then they questioned him of a robbery (the Lieutenant Criminal being present, and a clarke that wrote), which not confessing, they put an higher horse under the rope, to increase the torture and extension. In this agonie, confessing nothing, the Executioner with a horne (just such as they drench horses with) stuck the end of it into his mouth, and poured the quantity of two boukets of water down his throat and over him, which so prodigiously swelled him, as would have pittied and affrighted any one to see it; for all this, he denied all that was charged to him. They then let him downe, and carried him before a warme fire to bring him to himselfe, being now to all appearance dead wth paine. What became of him I know not; but the gent. whom he robbed constantly averr'd him to be the man, and the fellows suspitious pale lookes, before he knew he shold be rack'd, betrayed some guilt: The Lieutenant was also of y^e opinion, and told us at first sight (for he was a leane, dry, black young man) he would conquer the torture: and so it seemes they could not hang him, but did use in such cases, where the evidence is very presumptive, to send them to the gallies, which is as bad as death.

There was another Malefactor to succeede, but the spectacle was so uncomfortable, that I was not able to stay the sight of another. It

* Qu. some preparation of it; since perfected by Dr. James, whose name it now bears.

represented yet to me, the intollerable sufferings which our Blessed Saviour must needs undergo when his body was hanging with all its weight upon the nailes on the crosse.

20. I went this night with my wife to a Ball at the Marquiss de Crevecoeur's, where were divers Princes, Dukes and greate persons, but what appeared to me very meane was that it began wth a puppet-play.

6 May. I attended the Ambassador to a Masque at Court, where the French King in person daunced five enteries: bat being ingag'd in discourse and better entertained with one of the Queene Regent's Secretaries, I soon left the entertainment.

11. To the Palais Cardinal, where y^e Mast^r of Ceremonies plac'd me to see y^e royal masque or opera. The first scene represented a chariot of singers compos'd of the rarest voices that could be procur'd, representing Cornaro* and Temperance; this was overthowne by Bacchus and his Revellers: the rest consisted of severall enteries and pageants of excesse, by all the Elements. A Masque representing Fire was admirable; then came a Venus out of y^e Clouds. The conclusion was an Heaven whither all ascended. But the glory of the Masque was the greate persons performing in it, the French King, his brother the Duke of Anjou, with all the Grandees of the Court, the King performing to the admiration of all. The music was 29 violins vested a l'antiq, but the habits of the Masquers were stupendiously rich and glorious.

23 May. I went to take leave of y^e Ambass^r for Spaine, which were my Lord Treass^r Cottington and S^r Edw. Hide; and as I return'd I visited Mr. Morine's† garden and his other rarities, especialy coralls, minerals, stones, and natural curiosities; crabs of y^e Red Sea, the body no bigger than a small bird's egg, but flatter, and the 2 leggs or claws a foote in length. He had abundance of shells, at least 1000 sorts, which furnish'd a cabinet of greate price; and had a very curious collection of searabees and insects, of which he was compiling a natural historie. He had also the pictures of his choice flowers and plants in miniature. He told me there were 10,000 sorts of tulips

* The famous Venetian writer on Temperance.

† See p. 55.

only. He had taille douces out of number; the head of y^e rynoceros bird, which was very extravagant, and one butterfie resembling a perfect bird.

25. I went to visit Mr. White, a learned priest and famous philosopher, author of the booke De Mundo, with whose worthy brother I was well acquainted at Rome. I was shew'd a cabinet of Maroquin or Turkey leather, so curiously inlaid wth other leather, and gilding, that the workman demanded for it 800 livres.

The Dean (of Peterboro') preach'd on y^e feast of Pentecost, perstringing those of Geneva for their irreverence of y^e Blessed Virgin.

4 June. Trinity Sunday I was absent from Church in y^e afternoone on a charitable affaire for the Abbesse of Boucharvaut, who but for me had been abus'd by that chymist Du Menie*. Returning I stept into y^e grand Jesuites, who had this high day expos'd their Cibarium, made all of solid gold and imagerie, a piece of infinite cost. Dr. Croydon, coming out of Italy and from Padua, came to see me on his return to England.

5. I accompanied my L. Strafford and some other noble persons to heare Madame Lavaran sing, wth she did both in French and Italian excellently well, but her voice was not strong.

7 June, Corpus Christi Day, there was a grand procession, all the streetes tapisstred, severall altars erected there, full of images and other rich furniture, especialy that before the Court, of a rare designe and architecture. There were abundance of excellent pictures and great vases of silver.

13. I went to see y^e collection of one Mons^r Poignant, which for variety of achates, chrystals, onyxes, porcelain, medalls, statues, relievos, paintings, taille douces and antiquities, might compare with the Italian virtuosos.

21. I became acquainted wth S^r W^m Curtius, a very learned and judicious person of the Palatinate. He had ben scholar to Alstedius the Encyclopedist, was well advanc'd in yeares, and now Resident for his Ma^{re} at Frankfort.

* Qu. The person mention'd in page 348 as pretending to have found out ye art of multiplying gold?

2 July. Came to see me the Earle of Strafford, Lord Ossory and his Brother, S^r John Southcott, S^r Edw: Stawell, two of my Lord Spenser's Sons, and Dr. Stewart Deane of St. Pauls, a learned and pious man; where we entertained the time upon severall subjects, especially the affaires of England and the lamentable condition of our Church. The Lord Gerrard also called to see my collection of sieges and battles.

21 July. An extraordinary fast was celebrated in our Chapell, Dr. Steward Dean of St. Paul's preaching.

2 Aug. I went with my wife to Conflans, where were abundance of ladys and others bathing in the river; the ladys had their tents spread on the water for privacy.

29 Aug. Was kept as a solemne Fast for the calamities of our poore Church now trampled on by y^e Rebells. Mr. Waller being at St. Germaine, desir'd me to send him a coach from Paris to bring my wife's god-daughter to Paris, to be buried by the Common Prayer.

6 Sept. I went with my wife to St. Germaine to console with Mr. Waller's losse. I carried with me and treated at dinner that excellent and pious person the Deano of St. Paul's Dr. Steward, and Sir Lewes Dives (half-brother to y^e Earle of Bristol) who entertain'd us with his wonderful escape out of prison in White-hall the very evening before he was to have been put to death, leaping down out of a jakes two stories high into the Thames at high water, in the coldest of winter and at night; so as by swimming he got to a beate that attended for him, tho' he was guarded by six musqueteeres. After this he went about in womens habite, and then in a small-coale-man's, travelling 200 miles on foote, embark'd for Scotland with some men he had raised, who coming on-shore were all surpriz'd and imprison'd on y^e Marq. of Montrose's score, he not knowing any thing of their barbarous murder of that hero. This he told us was his fifth escape, and none less miraculous; with this note, that the chargeing thro' 1000 men arm'd; or whatever danger could befall a man, he believ'd could not more confound and distract a man's thoughts than the execution of a premeditated escape, the passions of hope and feare being so strong. This knight was indeede a valiant gentleman, but not a little given to romance when he spake of himselfe. I returned to Paris the same evening.

7 Sept. I went to visite Mr. Hobbs, the famous philosopher of Malmesbury, with whom I had long acquaintance. From his window we saw y^e whole equipage and glorious cavalcade of the young French Monarch Lewis XIV. passing to Parliament when first he tooke the kingly government on him, now being in his 14th yeare, out of his minority and y^e Queene Regent's pupillage. First came y^e captaine of the King's aydes at the head of 50 richly liveried; next the Queene Mother's light horse, an hundred, the lieutenant being all over cover'd with embroidery and ribbands, having before him 4 trumpets habited in black velvet, full of lace and casques of y^e same; then the King's light horse, 200, richly habited, with 4 trumpets in blue velvet embrodred with gold, before whom rid y^e Count d'Olonne coronet [cornet] whose belt was set with pearle; next went y^e grand Prevost's company on foote wth y^e Prevost on horseback; after them the Swisse in black velvet toques led by 2 gallant cavalieres habited in scarlet-colour'd sattin after their country fashion, whicht is very fantastick: he had in his cap a pennach of heron with a band of diamonds, and about him 12 little Swisse boyes with halberds; then came the *Aydes des Ceremonies*; next the grandes of court, governors of places, and lieutenants genl. of provinces, magnificently habited and mounted, among whom I must not forget the Chevalier Paul, famous for many sea-fights and signal exploits there, because 'tis said he had never been an Academist, and yet govern'd a very unruly horse, and besides his rich suite, his Malta Cross was esteem'd at 10,000 crownes; these were headed by 2 trumpets, and the whole troupe cover'd with gold, jewels, and rich caparisons, were follow'd by 6 trumpets in blew velvet also, preceeding as many heralds in blew velvet semée with fleurs de lys, caduces in their hands and velvet caps on their heads; behind them came one of the mast^{es} of y^e ceremonies; then divers marishalls & many of the nobility, exceeding splendid; behind them Count d'Harcourt, grand escuyer, alone, carrying the King's sword in a scarf, wth he held up in a blew sheath studded wth fleurs de lys; his horse had for reines 2 scarfs of black taffata; then came abundance of footmen and pages of the King, new liveried with white and red feathers; next y^e guard de corps and other officers; and lastly appear'd the King him-

selfe on an Isabella Barb, on w^{ch} a houassing semée with crosses of y^e Order of the Holy Ghost, and fleurs de lys; the King himselfe like a young Apollo, was in a sute so cover'd with rich embrodry, that one could perceive nothing of the stuff under it; he went almost the whole way with his hat in hand, saluting the ladys and acclamators who had fill'd the windows with their beauty, and the aire wth *Vive le Ruy.* He seem'd a prince of a grave yet sweete countenance. After the King, follow'd divers greate persons of y^e Court exceeding splendid, also his esquires, masters of horse on foote, then the company of *Exempts des Gards*, and 6 guards of Scotch; 'twixt their files were divers princes of y^e blood, dukes, and lords; after all these, the Queene's guard of Swisse, pages, and footemen; then the Queene Mother herselfe in a rich coach, wth Monsieur y^e King's brother, the Duke of Orleans, and some other lords and ladys of honour; about the coach march'd her *Exempts des Gards*, then the company of the King's *Gens d'armes* well mounted, 150, with 4 trumpets and as many of the Queene's; lastly, an innumerable company of coaches full of ladys and gallants. In this equipage pass'd the Monarch to y^e Parliament, henceforth exercising his kingly government.

15 Sept. I accompanied S^r Rich^d Browne, my father-in-law, to the French Court, where he had a favourable audience of the French King and the Queene his Mother, congratulating the one on his coming to y^e exercise or his royal charge, and the other's prudent and happy administration during her late Regency, desiring both to preserve y^e same amitie for his Master, our King, as they had hitherto don, which they both promis'd with many civil expressions and words of course upon such occasions. We were accompanied both going and returning by y^e Introductor of Ambassadors and Ayd of Ceremonies. I also saw y^e audience of Marosini y^e Ambassador of Venice, and divers other Ministers of State from German Princes, Savoy, &c. Afterwards I tooke a walke in y^e King's gardens, where I observ'd that the Mall gos the whole square thereof next y^e wall, and bends with an angle so made as to glace [glance] y^e hall; the angle is of stone. There's a basin at the end of the garden fed by a noble fountaine and high jetto. There were in it 2 or 3 boates in w^{ch} the King now and

thick rowes about. In another part is a compleate fort, made with bastions, graft, halfe-mooones, ravelins, and furnish'd wth greate gunns cast on purpose to instruct the King in fortification.

22. Ariv'd y^e news of y^e fatal battaill at Worcester, which exceedingly mortified our expectations.

28. I was shew'd a collection of books and prints made for the D. of York.

1 Oct. The Dean of Peterborough [Dr. Cosin] preach'd on 13 Job v. 15, encouraging our trust in God on all events and extremities, and for establishing and comforting some ladys of greate qualitie, who were then to be discharg'd from our Q. Mother's service, unlesse they would go over to y^e Romish Masse.

The Dean dining this day at our house, told me the occasion of publishing those Offices which among the Puritans were wont to be call'd *Cosin's cousininge Devotions**, by way of derision. At the first coming of the Queene into England, she and her French ladys were often upbraiding our religion, that had neither appointed nor set forth any houres of prayer or breviaries, by which ladies and courtiers, who have much spare time, might edify and be in devotion as they had. Our Protestant ladys, scandaliz'd it seemes at this, mov'd the matter to y^e King, whereupon his Ma^y presently call'd Bishop White to him, and asked his thoughts of it, and whether there might not be found some formes of prayer proper on such occasions, collected out of some already approv'd formes, that so the court ladys and others (who spend much time in trifling) might at least appeare as devout; and be so too, as the new-come-over French ladys, who tooke occasion to reproch our want of zeale and religion. On w^{ch} the Bishop told his Ma^y that it might be don easily and was very necessary; whereupon y^e King commanded him to employ some person of y^e Cleargy to compile such a work, and presently y^e Bishop naming Dr. Cosin y^e King injoyn'd him

* So called by Mr. Prynne in his brief survey of this book. The Dean was sequestered from all his preferments by the Parliament, and went abroad to Paris 1643. He kept up the service of the Church of England in Sir Richard Browne's chapel there, see pp. 844, 882. On the Restoration he was made Bishop of Durham, to which See, as well as to Peter House, at Cambridge, of which he had been Master, he was a most munificent benefactor. He died in 1671. See Biog. Brit. the new Edition by Dr. Kippis.

to charge y^e Dr. in his name to set about it immedately. This the Dean told me he did, and 3 monethes after bringing the booke to y^e King, he commanded y^e Bishop of London to reade it over and make his report; this was so well lik'd that (contrary to former custome of doing it by a chaplain) he would needes give it an *imprimatur* under his owne hand. Upon this there were at first onely 200 copies printed: nor, said he, was there any thing in y^e whole book of my owne composure, nor did I set any name as author to it, but those necessary prefaces, &c. out of the Fathers, touching the times and seasons of prayer, all the rest being intirely translated and collected out of an *Office* publish'd by authority of Q. Elizabeth, a^r 1560, and our owne Liturgie. This I rather mention to justify that industrious and pious Deane, who had exceedingly suffer'd by it, as if he had don it of his owne head to introduce Popery, from which no man was more averse, and one who in this time of temptation and apostacy held and confirm'd many to our Church*.

29 Oct'. Came newes and letters to the Queene and S^r Rich. Browne (who was y^e first that had intelligence of it) of his Ma^ts miraculous escape after y^e fight at Worcester, which exceedingly rejoiced us.

7 Nov. I visited S^r Kenelm Digby, with whom I had much discourse of chymical matters. I shew'd him a particular way of extracting oyle of sulphur, and he gave me a certaine powder wth w^{ch} he affirm'd that he had fix'd y^e (mercury) before the late King; he advis'd me to try and digest a little better, and gave me a water wth he said was onely raine water of the autumnal equinox exceedingly rectified, very volatile: it had a taste of a strong vitrioliq, and smelt like aqua fortis. He intended it for a dissolvent of calx of gold; but the truth is, Sir Kenelm was an errant mountebank.—Came newes of y^e gallant Earl of Derby's execution by y^e Rebels.

* The Clergy who attended y^e English Court in France at this time and are mentioned to have officiated in S^r Rich^d Browne's Chapel were: The Bishop of Galloway; Dr. Geo. Morley, afterwards Bishop of Winchester; Dr. Cosin, Dean of Peterborough, afterwards Bishop of Durham; Dr. Stewart, Dean of St. Paul's; Dr. Earle; Dr. Clare; Dr. Wolley, no great Preacher; Mr. Croxden; Dr. Lloyd; Mr. Hamilton; Dr. Duncan.

12. Dr. Clare preach'd on 28 Gen. v. 20, 21, 22, upon ~~the~~ his vowe, which he appositely applied, it being y^e first Sunday his Ma^t came to Chapell after his escape. I went in the afternoon to visit the Earle of Norwich; he lay at y^e Lord of Aubignies.

16. Visited Dean Stewart, who had ben sick about 2 daies, when going up to his lodging I found him dead, which affected me much, as besides his particular affection and love to me, he was of incomparable parts and great learning, of exemplary life, and a very greate losse to y^e whole Church. He was buried y^e next day with all our Church's ceremonys, many noble persons accompanying the corps.

17. I went to congratulate y^e marriage of Mrs. Gardner, maid of honor, lately married to that odd person Sir Hen. Wood: but riches do many things.

I went to see Mons^t Febur's course of Chymistrie, where I found St Kenelm Digby and divers curious persons of learning and quality. It was his first opening the course and preliminarys in order to operations.

1 Dec. I now resolv'd to returne into England.

3. Sir Lewis Dives din'd with us, who relating some of his adventures, shew'd me divers pieces of broad gold which, being in his pocket, in a fight, preserv'd his life by receiving a musket-bullet on them, which deaden'd its violence so that it went no further, but made such a stroake on the gold as fix'd the impressions upon one another, battering and bending severall of them; the bullet it selfe was flatt'd, and retain'd on it the colour of the gold. He assur'd us that of an hundred of them, which it seemes he then had in his pocket, not one escap'd without some blemish. He affirm'd that his being protected by a Neapolitan Prince who conniv'd at his bringing some horses into France, contrary to the order of y^e Vice-roy, by assistance of some banditti; was the occasion of a difference betweene those great men, and consequently of y^e late civil war in that kingdom; the Vice-roy having kill'd the Prince standing on his defence at his owne castle. He told me that the second time of the Scots coming into England, the King was six times their number, and might easily have beaten them, but was betrayed; as were all other his designes and counsels, by some, even of his bed-chamber,

morning Mr. Hamilton, who copied Montrose's letters from time to time when his Ma^r was asleep.

24. Came to visite me Mr. Obadiah Walker of University College, w^t his two Pupils the sons of my worthy friend Hen. Hydiard, Esq.* whom I had recommended to his care.

25. Came to visite my wife Mrs. Lane, the lady who conveied the King to the sea-side at his escape from Worcester. Mr. John Cosin, son to y^e Dean, debauch'd by y^e Priests, wrote a letter to me to mediate for him with his father. I prepar'd for my last journey, being now resolv'd to leave France altogether.

26. The King and Duke receiv'd the Sacrament first by themselves, y^e Lords Biron and Wilmot holding y^e long towell all along the altar.

26. Came news of y^e death of that Rebell Ireton.

31. Preached Dr. Wolley, after which was celebrated y^e Holy Communion, w^t I received also, preparative of my journey, being now resolved to leave France altogether, and to returne God Almighty thanks for his gracious protection of me this past yeare.

1652, 2 Jan. News of my sister Glanville's death in childbed, which exceedingly affected me.

I went to one Mark Antonio, an incomparable artist in enameling. He wrought by the lamp figures in bosee of a large size, even to y^e life, so that nothing could be better moulded. He told us greate stories of a Genoese Jeweller who had the greate *Arcanum*, and had made projection before him severall times. He mett him at Cyprus travelling into Egypt, in his retурne from whence he died at sea, and the secret w^t him, that else he had promis'd to have left it to him; that all his effects were seized on and dissipated by the Greeks in the vessel to an immense value. He also affirm'd, that being in a Goldsmith's shop at Amsterdam, a person of very low stature came in and deir'd the goldsmith to mealt him a pound of lead, which don he unscrew'd y^e pummel of his sword, and taking out of a little box a small quantity of powder, casting it into the crucible, pour'd an ingot out, which when cold he tooke up, saying, "Sir, you will be paid for

your lead in the crucible," and so went out immediately. When he was gon the goldsmith found 4 ounces of good gold in it, but could never set eye againe on y^e little man, tho' he sought all y^e City for him. This Antonio asserted with greate obstestation, nor know I what to think of it, there are so many impostors and people who love to tell strange stories, as this artist did, who had been a greate rover, and spake 10 different languages.

13 Jan. I tooke leave of Mr. Waller, who having ben proceed'd by the Rebels, had obtain'd of them permission to returne, was going to England.

29. Abundance of my French and English friends and some Germans came to take leave of me, and I sat out in a coach for Calais, in an exceeding hard frost which had continued some time. We got that night to Beaumont; 30. to Beauvais; 31. we found the ways very deepe wth snow, and it was exceeding cold; din'd at Pois; lay at Perné, a miserable cottage of miserable people in a wood, wholly unfurnish'd, but in a little time we had sorry beds and some provision, w^{ch} they told me they hid in y^e wood for feare of the frontier enemy, the garrisons neere them continually plundering what they had. They were often infested with wolves. I cannot remember that I ever saw more miserable creatures.

1 Feb. I din'd at Abbeville; 2. din'd at Montreuil, lay at Bollogne; 3. came to Calais by 11 in the morning; I thought to have embrayqu'd in the evening, but for feare of Pyrates pluyng neere the coast, I durst not trust our small vessell, and staid til Monday following, when 2 or 3 lusty vessells were to depart.

I brought with me from Paris Mr. Christ. Wase, sometime before made to resigne his fellowship in King's Coll. Cambridge, because he would not take the Covenant. He had been a soldiier in Flanders, and came miserable to Paris. From his excellent learning, and some relation he had to S^r. R. Browne, I bore his charge into England, and clad and provided for him til he should find some better condicione; and he was worthy of it*. There came with us Capt. Griffith, Mr. Tyrell, brother to S^r. Timothy Tyrell of Shotover (near Oxford).

* Mr. Evelyn did afterward procure him a situation.

At Calais I dined with my L^d Wentworth, and met with Mr. Heath, Sir Rich^t Lloyd, Capt. Paine, and divers of our banish'd friends, of whom understanding that the Count de la Strade Governor of Dynkirke was in the towne, who had bought my wife's picture, taken by Pyratte at sea the year before (my wife having sent it for me in England) as my Lord of Norwich had inform'd me at Paris, I made my address to him, who frankly told me that he had such a picture in his owne bed-chamber amongst other ladys, and how he came by it; seeming well pleas'd that it was his fortune to preserve it for me, and so generously promis'd to send it to any friend I had at Dover; I mentioned a French merchant there, and so tooke my leave*.

6 Feb. I embark'd early in y^c packet-boat, but put my goods in a stouter vessell. 'Twas calm, so that we got not to Dover till 8^h at night. I tooke horse for Canterbury, and lay at Rochester; next day to Gravesend, tooke a pair of oares, and landed at Sayes Court, where I stayed 3 days to refresh and look after my packet and goods, sent by a stouter vessell. I went to visit my co: Rich. Fanshawe, and divers other friends.

March 6. Saw the magnificent funeral of that Arch-rebell Ireton, carried in pomp from Somerset House to Westm', accompanied with divers regiments of sooldiers horse and foote; then marched y^e mourners, Gen^l. Cromwell (his father-in-law), his mock-parliament-men, officers, and 40 poore men in gownes, 3 led horses in housings of black cloth, 2 led in black velvet, and his charging-horse all cover'd over with embroidery and gold on crimson velvet; then the guidons, ensignes, 4 heralds carrying the armes of the State (as they call'd it), namely, y^e red crosse and Ireland, with the casq, wreath, sword, spurs, &c.; next, a chariot canopied of black velvet and 6 horses, in which was the corps; the pall held up by the mourners on foot, the mace and sword, with other marks of his charge in Ireland (where he died of y^e plague), carried before in black scarfs. Thus in a grave pace, drama cover'd with cloth, sooldiers reversing their armes, they proceeded through the streetes in a very solemn manner. This

The picture was afterwards sent accordingly, see p. 263.

Ireton was a stout rebell, and had been very bloody to the King's party, witness his severity at Colchester, when in cold blood he put to death those gallant gentlemen, Sir Cha. Lucas and Sir George Lane. Mr. & R. Fanshawe came to visite me and informe me of many considerable affaires. Sir Henry Herbers presented me with his brother my L^t Cherburie's book "De Veritate".

9. I went to Deptford, where I made preparation for my settl'mt, no more intending to go out of England, but endeavour a settl'd life, either in this or some other place, there being now so little appearance of any change for the better, all being entirely in y^e Rebells hands, and this particular habitation qnd the estate contiguous to it (belonging to my father-in-law actually in his Majesty's service), very much suffering for want of some friend to rescue it out of the power of the usurpers; so as to preserve our interest, and take some care of my other concernes, by the advice and endeavour of my friends, I was advis'd to reside in it, and compound with the souldiers. This I was besides authoriz'd by his Ma^y to do, and encourag'd with a promise that what was in lease from the Crowne, if ever it pleas'd God to restore him, he would secure to us in fee-ferme. I had also addresses and cyfers to correspond wth his Ma^y and Miniaters abroad: upon all which inducements I was persuaded to settle henceforth in England, having now run about the world, most part out of my owne country, neare 10 yeares. I therefore now likewise meditated sending over for my wife, whom as yet I had left at Paris.

14 Mar. I went to Leusham, where I heard an honest sermon on 2 Corinth. 5. 7; being the first Sonday I had ben at Church since my returne, it being now a rare thing to find a priest of the Church of England in a parish pulpit, most of which were fill'd with Independents and Phanatics.

15 Mar. I saw y^e Diamond and Ruby launch'd at y^e Dock at Deptford, carrying 48 brasse cannon each. Cromwell and his Generallies present with greate acclamations.

18. That worthy divine Mr. Owen of Eltham, a reprobated per-
son, came to visite me.

19. Invited by Lady Gerrard I went to London, where we had a

greate copper; all the vessells, which were innumerable, were of Porcellan, she having the most apple and richest collection of that curiositie in England.

22. I went with my brother Evelyn to Wotton to give him what directions I was able about his garden, which he was now desirous to put into some forme; but for which he was to remove a mountaine overgrowne wth huge trees and thicket, wth a moate within 10 yards of the house. This my brother immediately attempted, and that without greate cost; for more than an hundred yards South, by digging downe the mountaine and flinging it into a rapid streame, it not onely carried away the sand, &c. but filled up the moute, and level'd that noble area, where now the garden and fountaine is *. The first occasion of my brother making this alteration was my building y^e little retiring place betwene the greate wood Eastward next the meadow, where sometime after my father's death, I made a triangular pond, or little stew, with an artificial rock after my coming out of Flanders.

29 Mar. I heard y^c excellent Prelate the Primate of Ireland (Jacob Usher) preach in Lincoln's Inn, on 4 Heb. 16, encouraging of penitent sinners.

5 April. My brother Geo. brought to Says Court Cromwell's Act of Oblivion to all that would submit to the Government.

13. News was brought me that Lady Cotton, my brother George's wife, was deliver'd of a son.

I was moved by a letter out of France to publish the letter which sometime since I sent to Deane Cosin's proselyted son; but I did not conceive it congeuent, for feare of displeasing her Ma^w the Queene.

18. I wrote to y^r Deane touching my buying his library, which was one of the choicest collections of any private person in England.

The Count de Strade most generously and handsomely sent me the picture of my wife from Dynkirk (see pp. 236, 261] in a large tin case, without any charge. It is of Mr. Bourdon, and is that which has y^e dog in it, and is to the knees, but it has been something spoil'd by washing it ignorantly with soap-suds.

* The fountain remains (1818.)

25. I went to visit Ald. Kendrick, a Fanatic Lord Mayor, who had married a relation of ours, where I met with a Captain who had been thirteen times to the East Indies.

29. Was that celebrated eclipse of the sun so much threatened by y^e astrologers, and which had so exceedingly alarm'd the whole Nation that hardly any one would worke, nor stir out of their houses. So ridiculously were they abus'd by knavish and ignorant star-gazers.

We went this afternoone to see y^e Queene's House at Greenwich, now given by the rebels to Bulstrode Whitlock, one of their unhappy counsellors, and keeper of pretended liberties.

10 May. Passing by Smithfield I saw a miserable creature burning who had murder'd her husband. I went to see some workmanship of that admirable artist Reeves, famous for perspective and turning curiosities in ivorie.

29. I went to take order about a coach to be made against my wife's coming, being my first coach, the pattern whereof I brought out of Paris.

30. I went to obtain of my Lord of Devonshire that my nephew George might be brought up with my young Lord his son, to whom I was recommending Mr. Wase. I also inspected the manner of chambelting silk and grograms at one Mons^t La Dorees in Morefields, and thence to Coll. Morley, one of their Council of State, as they call'd, who had ben my scholefellow, to request a passe for my wife's safe landing, and the goods she was to bring with her out of France, w^t he courteously granted, and did me many other kindnesses, that was a greate matter in those daies.

30. In the afternoone at Charlton Church, where I heard a Rabbinical sermon. Here is a faire monument in black marble of Sir Adam Newton, who built that faire house neere it for Prince Henry, and where my noble friend Sir Henry Newton succeeded him.

3 June. I receiv'd a letter from Coll. Morley to y^e Magistrates and Searchers at Rie, to assist my wife at her landing and shew her all civility.

4. I set out to meet her now on her journey from Paris, after she had obtain'd leave to come out of y^e City, w^t had now been besieged

some time by y^e Prince of Condé's armie in y^e time of the rebellion, and after she had ben now neere twelve yeares frow her owne country, that is sines five yeares of age, at w^{ch} time she went over. I went to Rye to meet her, where was an embargo on occasion of the late conflict wth the Holland fleet, the two Nations being now in warr, and which made sailing very unsafe.

On Whitunday I went to the Church (w^{ch} is a very faire one), and heard one of their Canters, who dismiss'd the assembly rudely and without any blessing. Here I stay'd till y^e 10th with no small impatience, when I walk'd over to survey the ruines of Winchelsea, that ancient Cinq-port, which by the remaines and ruines of ancient streetes and public structures discovers it to have ben formerly a considerable and large Citty. There are to be seene vust caves and vaults, walls and towers, ruines of monasteries and of a sumptuous church, in which are some handsom monuments, especialy of the Templars, buried just in the manner of those in the Temple at London. This place being now all in rubbish, and a few despicable hovells and cottages onely standing, hath yet a Major. The sea w^{ch} formerly render'd it a rich and commodious port has now forsaken it.

11. About 4 in y^e afternoone being at bowles on y^e Greene, we discover'd a vessell, which prov'd to be that in which my wife was, and which got into y^e harbour about 8 y^t evening to my no small joy. They had ben three daye at sea, and escaped the Dutch fleet, thro' which they pass'd, taken for fishers, w^{ch} was great good fortune, there being 17 bailes of furniture and other rich plunder, wth I blesse God came all safe to land, together wth my wife, and my Lady Browne her mother who accompani'd her. My wife being discompos'd by having been so long at sea, we set not forth towards houne till y^e 14th, when hearing the smallpox was very rife in and about London, and Lady Browne having a desire to drink Tunbridge waters, I carried them thither and staid in a very sweete place, private and refreshing, and tooke the water myself till the 23d, when I went to prepare for their reception, leaving them for y^e present in their little cottage by the Wells. The weather being hot, and having sent my man on before, I rod negligently wth a cover of the shade, till within three miles of Bromley, at

a place call'd the Procession Oak, two cut-throats started out, and striking with long staves at y^e horse and taking hold of the reins threw me downe, tooke my sword, and haled me into a deepe thickett some quarter of a mile from the highway, where they might securely rob me, as they soone did. What they got of money was not considerable, but they took two rings, the one an emerald with diamonds, the other an onyx, and a pair of bouckles set with rubies and diamonds, which were of value, and after all bound my hands behind me, and my feete, having before pull'd off my bootes; they then set me up against an oake, w^t most bloody threats to cutt my throat if I offer'd to cry out or make any noise, for they should be within hearing, I not being the person they looked for. I told them if they had not basely surpriz'd me they should not have had so easy a prize, and that it would teach me never to ride neare an hedge, since had I ben in y^e mid-way they durst not have adventur'd on me; at which they cock'd their pistols, and told me they had long guns too, and were 14 companions. I begg'd for my onyx, and told them it being engraven with my armes would betray them, but nothing prevail'd. My horse's bridle they slipt, and search'd y^e saddle, which they pull'd off, but let the horse graze, and then turning againe bridl'd him and tied him to a tree, yet so as he might graze, and thus left me bound. My horse was perhaps not taken because he was mark'd and cropt on both eares, and well known on that roade. Left in this manner grievously was I tormented with flies, ants, and y^e sunn, nor was my anxiety little how I should get loose in that solitary place, where I could neither heare or see any creature but my poore horse and a few sheeps stragling in the copse. After neare 2 hours attempting I got my hands together palm to palm, having been tied back to back, and then it was long before I could slip the cord over my wrists to my thumb, which at last I did and then soone unbound my feete, and saddling my horse and rounding awhile about I at last perceiv'd dust to rise, and soone after heard the rattling of a cart, towards which I made, and by the help of two country men I got back into the high way. I rode to Coll Blount's, a great jesterian of the times, who sent out hue and cry immediately. The next morning, sore as my wrists and armes were, I went to London and got 500 tickets printed and affixed to every office of Drapers and Tailors

and certain 9 daies had tidings of all I had lost except my sword which they never hit, and some trifles. The rogues had pawn'd one of my rings for a ruffe to a goldsmith's servant before the tickets came to the man, by which meanes they scap'd; the other ring was bought by a roguer, who brought it to a goldsmith, but he haying seen the ticket sent to the man, I afterwards discharg'd him on his protestation of innocencie. Thus did God deliver me from these villains, and not onely so, but return'd what they tooke, as twice before he had graciously don, both at sea and land; I meane when I had ben rob'd by pyrates, and was in dangers of a considerable losse at Amsterdam; for which, and many, many signal preservations, I am extreamly oblig'd to give thanks to God my Saviour.

26 May. After a drowth of neare 4 monethes there fell so violent a tempest of haile, raine, wind, thunder, and lightning, as no man had seen the like in this age; the haile being in some places 4 or 5 inches about, brake all glasse about London, especially at Deptford, and more at Greenwich.

29. I return'd to Tunbridge, and againe drank y^e water, till 10 July. We went to see the house of my Lord Clanrickard at Summer-hill near Tunbridge (now given to that villain Bradshaw who condemned the King.) 'Tis situated on an eminent hill, with a park, but has nothing else extraordinary.

4 July. I heard a sermon at Mr. Packer's* Chapell at Groombridge, a pretty melancholy seat, well wooded and water'd. In this house was one of the French Kings† kept prisoner. The Chapell was built by Mr. Packer's father, in remembrance of K. Charles the First his safe returne out of Spaine§.

9. We went to see Penshurst, y^e Earl of Leicester's, famous once for its gardens and excellent fruit, and for the noble conversation which

* Clerk of the Privy Seal to King Charles I.

† In the parish of Penshurst in Kent, 4 miles from Tunbridge.

‡ The Duke of Alençon beaten at the battle of Agincourt 4 Hen. V. by Richard Waller, then Master of the Horse. Histories Kent, vol. I, p. 431.

§ Upon the toppe of the doore, "D. O. M. 1625. ob felicissimi Caroli Principis ex Hispania Regis. Regis. See D. B. L. P." over it the device of the Prince of Wales. Id. 432.

was wout to mee there, celebrated by that illustrious person S^r Philip Sidney, who there compos'd divers of his pieces. It stode in a park, is finely water'd, and was now full of company on y^e marriage day of my old fellow collegiate Mr. Rob^t Smith, who married my lady Dorothy Sidney* widdow of the Earle of Sonderland.

One of the men who robb'd me was taken; I was accordingly summon'd to appear against him, and on the 12th was in Westm^t Hall, but not being bound over nor willing to hang the fellow I did not prosecute, coming onely to save a friend's baile, but the bill being found he was turn'd over to the Old Bailey. In the meane time I received a petition from y^e prisoner, whose father I understood was an honest old farmer in Kent. He was charg'd with other crimes, and condemn'd; but repriev'd. I heard afterwards that had it not been for his companion, a younger man, he would probably have kill'd me. He was afterwards charg'd with some other crime, but refusing to plead, was given'd to death.

23. Came my old friend Mr. Spencer to visite me.

30 July. I took advice about purchasing Sir Richard's [Browne] interest of those who had bought Sayes Court.

1 Aug. Came old Jerome Lennier of Greenwich, a man skill'd in painting and musiq, and another rare musician call'd Meil. I went to see his collection of pictures, especially those of Julio Romano which surely had ben the King's, and an Egyptian figure, &c. There were also excellent things of Polydore, Guido, Raphael, Tintoret, &c. Lennier had been a domestic of Qu. Elizabeth, and shew'd me her head, an intaglia in a rare sardonyx, cut by a famous Italian, which he assur'd me was exceeding like her.

24. My first child, a sonn, was born precisely at one o'clock.

Sept. 2. Mr. Owen, the sequestered Divine of Eltham, christened my sonn by the name of Richard.

25. I went to see Dr. Mason's house, so famous for the prospect (for the house is a wretched one) and description in Barclay's Icon Aimerum†.

* Mr. Waller's Sachemess, daughter of Phil^e Lord of Leicesters.

† The book here referred to is in the British Museum, intituled "Icones Novissimae Leonis Antiqui," printed at London 1611, page 13mo. It is written in Latin, and is dedicated to Leon's

22. I went to Woodcot, where Lady Browne was taken with a quartet fever and died. She was cartied to Deptford, and interr'd in the Church neare Sir Richard's relations with all decent ceremonies, and according to the Church Office, for which I obtain'd permission, after it had not bin us'd in that Church of 7 years. Thus ended an excellent and virtuous lady, universally lamented, having bin so obliging on all occasions to those who continually frequented her house in Paris, which was not only an hospital, but an asylum to all our persecuted and afflicted countrymen during 11 yeares residence there in that honorable situation.

23. Nov. I went to London to visite some friends, but y^e insolencies were so greate in y^e streetes that I could not returne till y^e next day.

Dr. Scarborough was instant with me to give the *Tables of Veins and Arteries* to y^e Colledge of Physitians, pretending he would not only reade upon them, but celebrate my euriositie as being the first who caus'd them to be compleated in that manner, and with that cost; but I was not so willing yet to part with them, as to lend them to the Colledge during their anatomical lectures, w^{ch} I did accordingly.

22. I went to London, where was propos'd to me the promoting that greate work, (since accomplish'd by Dr. Walton, Bishop of Chester) *Biblia Polyglotta*, by Mr. Pierson that most learned divine.

25. Christmas day, no sermon any where, no Church being permitted to be open, so observ'd it at home. The next day we went to Lewisham, where an honest divine preach'd.

31 Dec. I adjusted all accompts, and render'd thanks to Almighty God for his mercys to me the yeare past.

1. Jan. 1653. I set apart in preparation for the E. Sacraiment which the next day Mr. Owen administered to me and all my family in Sayes Court, preaching on 6 John 32. 33. shewing the exceeding benefits of

Book of Praies, for what reason does not appear, the Author speaking of himself as a subject of the Country. It contains the necessity of forming the minds of youth, as a skilful gardener forms his trees; the different conditions of men in different nations; English, Scotch, and Irish, &c. Cap. 2, contains a short description of the beautiful scenery about Greenwich, but does not mention Dr. Merton or his house.

our blessed Saviour taking our nature upon him. He had christened my son and churched my wife in our own house, as before noticed.

17 Jan. I began to set out the oval garden at Sayes Court, which was before a rude orchard and all y^e rest one entire field of 100 acres, without any hedge; except y^e bither holly hedge joyning to y^e bank of the mount walk. This was the beginning of all the succeeding gardens, walke, groves, enclosures, and plantations there.

21. I went to London and seal'd some of the writings of my purchase of Sayes Court.

30 Jan. At our own parish Church a stranger preach'd. There was now and then an honest orthodox man got into the pulpit, and tho' the present incumbent was somewhat of the Independent, yet he ordinarily preach'd sound doctrine, and was a peaceable man, which was an extraordinary felicity in this age.

1 Feb. Old Alex^r Rosse (author of "Virgilius Evangelizans," and many other little bookes) presented me with his book against Mr. Hobbs's " Leviathan."

19. I planted y^e Orchard at Sayes Court, new moone, wind West.

22. Was perfected the sealing, livery and seizin of my purchase of Sayes Court. My brother Geo. Glanvill, Mr. Scudamor, Mr. Offley, Co. W^m Glanvill (son to Serj^r Glanvill, sometime Speaker of the House of Commons), Co. Stephens, and severall of my friends dining with me. I had bargain'd for £.3200, but I paid £.3500.

25 Mar. Came to see me that rare graver in taille douc Mons^r Richett; he was sent by Card^r Mazarine to make a collection of pictures.

11 April. I went to take the aire in Hide Park, where every coach was made to pay a shilling, and horse 6d. by the sordid fellow who had purchas'd it of the State as they were cal'd.

17 May. My servant Hoare, who wrote those exquisite several hands, fell of a fit of an apoplexie, caus'd, as I suppose, by tampering with y^e (mercury) about an experiment in gold.

29. I went to London to take my last leave of my honest friend Mr. Barton now dying: it was a grete loss to me and to my affaires. On the sixth of June I attended his funeral.

8 June. Came my brother George, Capt. Evelyn the greate traveller, Mr. Muschamp, my Co. Tho. Keightly, and a virtuoso fantastical Symons*, who had the talent of embossing so to y^e life.

9 June. I went to visite my worthy neighbour Sir Hen. Newton [at Charlton], and consider the prospect, which is doubtless for city, river, ships, meadows, hill, woods, and all other amenities, one of the most noble in the world; so as had y^e house running water, it were a princely seate. Mr. Henshaw and his brother-in-law came to visite me, and he presented me with a seleniscope.

19. This day I paid all my debts to a farthing, a blessed day!

21. My Lady Gerrard and one Esquire Knight, a very rich Gent. living in Northamptonshire, visited me.

23. Mr. Lombart, a famious graver, came to see my Collections.

27. Mons^t. Roupel sent me a small phial of his *curum potabile*, with a letter shewing the way of administering it, and y^e stupendous cures it had don at Paris; but ere it came to me, by what accident I know not, it was all run out.

17 Aug. I went to visite Mr. Hildiard at his house at Horsley (formerly y^e great S^r Walter Raleigh's †), where met me Mr. Oughtred the famous mathematician; he shew'd me a box or golden case of divers rich and aromatic balsams, which a chymist a scholar of his had sent him out of Germany.

21. I heard that good old man Mr. Higham the parson of the parish of Wotton where I was born, & who had baptized me, preach after his very plaine way on Luke, comparing this troublesome world to the sea, the ministers to the fishermen, and the saints to ye fish.

22. We all went to Guildford to rejoice at the famous Inn, the Red Lion, and to see the Hospital, and the monument of Arch Bish. Abbot the founder, who lies buried in the chapell of his endowment.

28 Sept. At Greenwich preach'd that holy martyr Dr. Hewer on Psalm 90. v. 11. magnifying the grace of God to penitents, and threat-

* Abraham Symons, a strange character, but most excellent modeller after life, and engraver of medals.

† This is a mistake; Mr. Hyldiard was of East Horsley, Sir Walter of West.

ning the extinction of his Gospel light for the prodigious impiety of the age.

11 Oct. My sonn John Stansfield was borne, being my second child, and christned by the name of my mother's father, that name now quite extinct, being of Cheshire. Christen'd by Mr. Owen in my Library at Sayes Court, where he afterwards churched my wife, I always making use of him on these occasions, because the Parish Minister durst not have officiated according to the forme and usage of the Church of England, to w^{ch} I always adhered.

25. Mr. Owen preach'd in my Library at Sayes Court on 18 Luke, 7. 8. an excellent discourse on y^e unjust judge, shewing why Almighty God would sometimes be compared by such similitudes. He afterwards administered to us all y^e Holy Sacrament.

28. Went to London to visit my Lady Gerrard, where I saw that cursed woman call'd the Lady Norton, of whom it was reported that she spit in our King's face as he went to the scaffold. Indeede her talke and discourse was like an impudent woman.

21 Nov. I went to London to speak with Sir John Evelyn my kinsman about y^e purchase of an estate of Mr. Lumbard's at Westram, w^{ch} afterwards Sir John himself bought for his son-in-law Leech.

4 Dec. Going this day to our Church I was surpriz'd to see a tradesman, a mechanic, step up; I was resolv'd yet to stay and see what he would make of it. His text was from 2 Sam. ch. 23. v. 20. " And Beniah went downe also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in y^e time of snow;" the purport was, that no danger was to be thought difficult when God call'd for shedding of blood, inferring that now y^e Saints were call'd to destroy temporal governments; with such seculant stuff; so dangerous a crisis were things growne to.

25. Christmas Day. No Churches or publicq assembly. I was faine to passe y^e devotions of y^e blessed day with my family at home.

1654. 20 Jan. Came to see me my old acquaintance and the most incomparable playst on the Irish harp, Mr. Clarks*. after his travells. He was an excellent musician, a discreet gentleman, born in Devon-

* See under the year 1653, November.

shire (as I remember). Such musiq before or since did I never heare, that instrument being neglected for its extraordinary difficulty: but in my judgment far superior to the Lute it selfe, or whatever speakes with strings.

25. Died my son J. Standsfield, of convulsion fits; buried at Deptford on y^e East corner of y^e Church, near his mother's great-grandfather, &c.

8 Feb. Ash Wednesday. In contradiction to all costome and decency, the Usurper Cromwell feasted at the Lord Maior's, riding in triumph thro' the Citty.

14. I saw a tame lion play familiarly with a lamb; he was a huge beast, and I thrust my hand into his mouth and found his tongue rough like a cat's; a sheepe also with 6 leggs, w^{ch} made use of 5 of them to walke; a goose that had 4 leggs, 2 crops, and as many vents.

29 March. That excellent man Mr. Owen preached in my Library on Matt. 28. v. 6. a Resurrection Sermon, and after it we all received the Holy Communion.

6 April. Came my Lord Herbert, S^r Kenebne Digbie, Mr. Denham, and other friends, to see me.

15. I went to London to heare the famous Dr Jeremy Taylor (since Bishop of Downe and Connor) at St. Greg: on 3 Matt. 48. concerning evangelical perfection.

5 May. I bound my laquay Tho. Headly apprentice to a carpenter, giving with him five pounds & new cloathing; he thrived very well, and became rich.

8. I went to Hackney to see my Lady Brook's garden, which was one of the neatest and most celebrated in England, the house well furnish'd, but a despicable building. Returning, visited one Mr. Tombs's garden; it has large and noble walks, some modern statues, a vineyard, planted in strawberry borders, staked at 10 foote distances; the bauqueting-house of cedar, where the couch and seates were carv'd a l'antique; some good pictures in the house, especialy one of Vandyke's, being a *Man in his shirt*; also some of Stenwyck. I also call'd at Mr. Ducis's, who has indeede a rare collection of the best masters, and one

of y^e largest stories of H. Holbein. I also saw Sir. Tho. Fowler's aviarie, w^{ch} is a poore businesse.

10. My Lady Gerrard treated us at Mulberry Garden *, now y^e onely place of refreshment about the towne for persons of y^e best quality to be exceedingly cheated at; Cromwell and his partisans having shut up and seiz'd on Spring Garden, w^{ch} till now had ben y^e usual rendezvous for the ladys and gallants at this season.

11. I now observed how the women began to paint themselves, formerly a most ignominious thing and us'd only by prostitutes.

14. There being no such thing as Church Anniversaries in y^e Parochial Assemblies, I was forced to provide at home for Whitsonday.

15. Came Sir Rob^t. Stapleton, y^e translator of Juvenal, to visite me.

8 June. My wife and I set out in a coach and 4 horses, in our way to visite relations of hers in Wiltshire and other parts, where we resolved to spend some moneths. We din'd at Windsor, and saw the Castle and the Chapell of St. George, where they have laied our blessed Martyr King Charles in the *vault just before yr altar*. The Church and workmanship in stone is admirable. The Castle it selfe large in circumference, but y^e roomes melancholy and of antient magnificence. The keepe or mount, hath besides its incomparable prospect a very profound well; and the terrace towards Eaton, with the park, meandering Thames, and sweete meadows, yield one of y^e most delightful prospects. That night we lay at Reading. Saw my Lord Craven's house at Causam [Caversham] now in ruines, his goodly woods felling by the Rebels.

9. Din'd at Marlborough, which having ben lately fir'd was now new built. At one end of this towne we saw my Lord Seymour's house †, but nothing observable save the Mount, to which we ascended by windings for neare halfe a mile. It seems to have ben cast up by

* Buckingham House (now the Queen's Palace) was built on the site of these gardens: see Dr. King, III. 73, ed. 1776; Malcolm's Londinium Restituum IV. 363; but the latter afterwards, p. 327, says that the piece of ground called the Mulberry Garden was granted by Charles II. in 1672 to Henry Earl of Arlington; in that case it would be what is now called Arlington Street, unless it extended up to the Queen's Palace.

† Now ye famous inn there.

hand. We pass'd by Coll. Popham's, a noble seate, park, and river Thence to Newberry, a considerable towne, and Donnington Castle famous for its battle, siege, and castle : that this last had ben y^e possession of old Geofrie Chaucer. Then to Aldermaston, a house of Sir Humphry Forster's, built *à la moderne*. Also that exceedingly beautifull seate of my Lord Pembroke, on y^e ascent of an hill, flank'd with wood, and reguarding the river ; and so at night to Cadenham, y^e mansion of Ed. Hungerford, Esq. uncle to my wife, where we made soine stay. The rest of the weeke we did nothing but feast and mrike good cheere to welcome my wife.

27. We all went to see Bathe, where I bathed in the Crosse Bath, Amongst the rest of the idle diversions of the towne, one musitian was famous for acting a changeling, which indeede he personated strangely.

The faciate of this Cathedrall is remarkable for its historical carving. The King's Bath is esteem'd y^e fairest in Europe. The towne is intirely built of stone, but the streetes narrow, uneven, and unpleasant. Here we trifled and bathed, and intervisited with the company who frequent the place for health, &c. till y^e 30th, and then went to Bristol, a City emulating London, not for its large extent but manner of building, shops, bridge, traffiq, exchange, market-place, &c. The Governor shew'd us the Castle, of no greate concernment. The City wholly mercantile, as standing neere the famous Severne, commodiously for Ireland and the Western world. Here I first saw the manner of refining suggar and casting it into loaves, where we had a collation of eggs fried in the suggar furnace*, together with excellent Spanish wine : but what was most stupendious to me was the rock of St. Vincent, a little distance from y^e towne, the precipice whereoff is equal to any thing of that nature I have seene in y^e most confregose cataracts of the Alpes, the river gliding betweene them at an extraordinary depth. Here we went searching for diamonds, and to the Hot Wells at its foote. There is also on the side of this horrid Alp a very roman-tie sente : and so we return'd to Bathe in the evening, and 1 July to Cadenham.

* A kind of entertainment like that we now have of eating beef-steaks drest on the stoker's shovel, and drinking porter at the famous brewhouses in London.

4 July. On a letter from my wife's uncle, Mr. Pretyman, I waited back on her to London, passing by Hungerford, a towne famous for its troutes, and the next day arriv'd at Deptford, which was 60 miles, in the extremity of heate.

6. I went early to London, and y^e next day met my wife and company at Oxford, y^e eve of y^e Act.

8. Was spent in hearing several exercises in the scholes, and after dinner y^e Proctor opened y^e Act at St. Marie's (according to custome) and y^e Prevaricators their drolery. Then the Doctors disputed. We supp'd at Wadham College.

9. Dr. French preach'd at St. Marie's on 12 Matt. 42. advising the Students the search after true wisdome, not to be had in the booke of Philosophers, but in the Scriptures alone. In y^e afternoone the famous Independent, Dr. Owen, perstring Episcopacy. He was now Cromwell's Vice-Chancellor. We din'd wth Dr. Ward, Mathematical Professor (since Bp. of Sarum), and at night supp'd in Balliol Coll. Hall, where I had once ben Student and Fellow Commoner, and where they made me extraordinarily welcome.

10. On Monday I went againe to y^e Scholes to heare the severall Faculties, and in y^e afternoone tarried out the whole Act in St. Marie's, the long speeches of the Proctors, the Vice-Chancellor, the severall Professors, creation of Doctors by y^e cap, ring, kisse, &c, those antient ceremonies and institution being as yet not wholly abolish'd. Dr. Kendal, now Inceptor amongst others, performing his Act incomparably well, concluded it with an excellent oration, abating his Presbyterian animosities, which he withheld not even against that learned and pious divine Dr. Hammond. The Act was clos'd with y^e speech of y^e Vice-Chancellor, there being but 4 in Theologie, 3 in Medicine, which was thought a considerable matter, the times consider'd. I din'd at one Mons^r. Fiat's, a Student at Exeter College, and supp'd at a magnificent entertainment in Wadham Hall, invited by my deare and excellent friend Dr. Wilkins, then Warden (after Bishop of Chester.)

11. Was y^e Latin sermon, w^{ch} I could not be at, tho' invited, being taken up at All Souls, where we had music, voices, and theorbos, perform'd by some ingenious scholars. After dinner I visited that miracle

of a youth Mr. Christopher Wren, nephew to y^e Bishop of Ely. Then Mr. Barlow (since Bishop of Lincoln) Bibliothecarius of y^e Bodleian Library, my most learned friend. He shew'd us y^e rarities of that most famous place, manuscripts, medaills, and other curiosities. Amongst the MSS. an old English Bible, wherein y^e Euanch mentioned to be baptiz'd by Philip is called the Gelding: " and Philip and the Gelding went down into the water," &c. The original Acts of the Council of Basil 900 yeares since, with the bulla or leaden affix, w^{ch} has a silken cord passing thro' every parchment; a MS. of Venerable Bede of 800 yeares antiquity; y^e old Ritual *secundum usum Sarum*, exceeding voluinious; then amongst y^e nicer curiosities, the Proverbs of Solomon written in French by a lady*, every chapter of a severall character or hand the most exquisite imaginable; an hieroglyphical table or carta folded up like a map, I suppose it painted on asses hide, extremely rare; but what is most illustrious, there were no less than 1000 MSS. in 19 languages, especiaaly Oriental, furnishing that new part of y^e Library built by Abp. Lawd from a designe of Sir Kenelme Digby and y^e Earle of Pembrook. In y^e closet of the Tower they shew some Indian weapons, urnes, lamps, &c. but y^e rarest is the whole Alcoran written on one large sheet of calico, w^{ch} is made up in a priest's vesture or cope, after the Turkish and Arabic character, so exquisitely written as no printed letter comes neere it; also a roll of magical charms, divers talismans, and some medaills.

Then I led my wife into y^e Convocation House, finely wainscoted; y^e Divinity Schole and Gotic carv'd roofe; the Physick or Anatomice Schole, adorn'd with some rarities of natural things, but nothing extraordinary save y^e skin of a jaccall, a rarely colour'd jacatoo or prodigious large parrot, 2 humming birds not much bigger than our humble bee, which indeede I had not seene before, that I remember.

12. We went to St. John's, saw y^e Library and the 2 skeletons which are finely cleans'd and put together; observable is here also y^e store of mathematical instruments, chieifely given by y^e late Abp. Lawd, who built here an handsome quadrangle.

* Mrs. Esther Inglist, married to Bartholomew Kello, Rector of Willinghall Spain in Essex. See an account of her curious penmanship in Mussey's Origin and Progress of Letters.

Thence we went to New College, where the Chapel was in its ancient garb, notwithstanding the scrupulositie of the times. Thence to Christ's Church, in whose library was shew'd us an Office of Hen. 8, the writing, miniatures, and gilding whereof is equal if not surpassing any curiosity I had seene of that kind; it was given by their founder, Cardinal Wolsey. The glasse windows of y^e Cathedrall (famous in my time) I found much abus'd. The ample Hall and columne that spreads its capital to sustaine y^e roose as one goes up y^e stayres is very remarkable.

Next we walked to Magdalen College, where we saw y^e Library and Chapell, w^{ch} was likewise in pontifical order, the altar onely I think turn'd table-wise, and there was still the double organ, which abomination (as now esteem'd) were almost universaly demolish'd; Mr. Gibbon, that famous musician, giving us a taste of his skill and talents on that instrument.

Hence we went to y^e Physick Garden, where the sensitive plant was shew'd us for a greate wonder. There grew canes, olive-trees, rhubarb, but no extraordinary curiosities, besides very good fruit, which when the ladys had tasted, we returned in our coach to our lodgings.

13. We all din'd at that most obliging and universally-curious Dr. Wilkius's, at Wadham College. He was the first who shew'd me the transparent apiarics, which he had built like castles and palaces, and so order'd them one upon another as to take the hony without destroy-ing the bees. These were adorn'd with a variety of dials, little statuues, vanes, &c. and he was so abundantly civil, as finding me pleas'd with them, to present me with one of y^e hives which he had empty, and w^{ch} I afterwards had in my garden at Sayes Court, where it continu'd many years, and which his Majestie came on purpose to see and contemplate with much satisfaction. He had also contriv'd an hollow statue which gave a voice and utter'd words, by a long conceal'd pipe that went to its mouth *, whilst one speaks through it at a good distance. He had above in his lodgings and gallery variety of shadows,

* This reminds us of the speaking figures so long exhibited in Kyring Gardens, and in Leicester Fields, some years ago.

dyuls, perspectives, and many other artificial, mathematical, and magical curiosities; a way-wiser, a thermometer, a monstrous magnet, optic and other sections, a ballance on a demi-circle, most of them of his owne and that prodigious young scholar Mr. Chr. Wren, who presented me with a piece of white marble, which he had stain'd with a lively red, very deepe, as beautiful as if it had ben natural.

Thus satisfied with y^e civilities of Oxford, we left it, dining at Faringdon, a towne w^{ch} had ben newly fir'd during y^e warrs; and passing neere y^e seate of Sir Walter Pic *, we came to Cadeham.

16. We went to another uncle and relative of my wife's, Sir John Glanvill, a famous lawyer, formerly Speaker of y^e House of Commons: his seate is at Broad-Hinton, where he now liv'd, but in y^e Gatehouse, his very faire dwelling-house having ben burnt by his owne hands to prevent y^e rebels making a garrison of it. Here my cousin Will. Glanvill, his eldest sonn, shew'd me such a lock for a doore, that for its siling and rare contrivances was a master-piece, yet made by a country black-smith. But we have seene watches made by another with as much curiositie as the best of that profession can brag off; and not many yeares after, there was nothing more frequent than all sorts of Iron-work more exquisitely wrought and polish'd than in any part of Europ, so as a dore-lock of a tolerable price was esteem'd a curiositie even among forraine princes.

Went back to Cadenham, and on y^e 19th to Sir Ed. Baynton's at Spis Park, a place capable of being made a noble seate; but the humourous old Knight has built a long single house of 2 low stories on y^e precipice of an incomparable prospect, and hinding on a bowling greene in y^e park. The house is like a leng barre, and has not a window on y^e prospect side. After dinner they went to bowles, and in the meantime our coach-men were made so exceedingly drunk, that in returning home we escap'd greate dangers. This it seems was by order of the Knight, that all gentlemen's servants be so treated; but the custome is barbarous, and much unbecoming a Knight, still lesse a Christian.

* Pye — ancestor of the late Poet Laureat.

20. We proceeded to Salisbury; the Cathedral I take to be the completest piece of Gotic worke in Europe, taken in all its uniformitie. The pillars, reputed to be cast, are of stone manifestly cut out of y^e quarry; most observable are those in y^e Chapter-house. There are some remarkable monuments, particularly the antient Bishops founders of the Church, Knights Templars, the Marques of Hartfورد's, the cloysters of the palace and garden, and the greate mural dial.

In the afternoone we went to Wilton, a fine house of y^e Earl of Pembroke, in which y^e most observable are y^e dining-roome in y^e modern built part towards the garden, richly gilded and painted with story by De Croete; also some other apartments, as that of hunting landskips by Pierce; some magnifificent chimney-pieces after the best French manner; a paire of artificial winding-stayres of stone, and divers rare pictures. The garden, heretofore esteem'd the noblest in England, is a large handsom plaine, with a grotto and water-works, which might be made much more pleasant were the river that passes through cleans'd and rais'd, for all is effected by a meere force. It has a flower garden not inelegant. But after all, that which renders the seate delightful is its being so neere y^e downes and noble plaines about the country contiguous to it. The stables are well order'd and yeild a gracefull front, by reason of the walkes of lime-trees, with the court and fountaine of the stables adorn'd with the Cæsar's heads.

We returned this evening by the plaine, and 14 mile race, where out of my lords hare-warren we were entertained with a long course of an hare for neere 2 miles in sight. Neere this is a pergola or stand, built to view the sports: and so we came to Salisbury, and viewed the most considerable parts of the City. The market-place with most of the streetes are water'd by a quick current and pure streame running thro' y^e middle of them, but are negligently kept, when with small charge they might be purg'd and render'd infinitely agreeable, and made one of y^e sweetest townes, but now the common buildings are despicable and y^e streectes dirty.

22 July. We departed and din'd at a ferme of my uncle Hungerford's, call'd Darneford Magna, situate in a vally under y^e plaine, most

sweetly water'd, abounding in trouts catch'd by speare in the night when they come attracted by a light set in y^e sterne of a boate.

After dinner, contynuing our retурне, we pass'd over y^e goodly plaine, or rather sea of carpet, which I think for evenness, extent, verdure, and innumerable flocks, to be one of y^e most delightful prospects in nature, and reminded me of the pleasant lives of shepherds we reade of in Romances.

Now we were arived at Stone-henge, indeede a stupendous monument, appearing at a distance like a castle; how so many and huge pillars of stone should have ben brought together, some erect, others transverse on y^e tops of them, in a circular area as rudely representing a cloyster or heathen and more natural temple, is wonderfull. The stone is so exceeding hard, that all my strength with a hammer could not breake a fragment; w^{ch} hardness I impute to their so long exposure. To number them exactly is very difficult, they lie in such variety of postures and confusion, tho' they seem'd not to exceede 100: we counted onely 95. As to their being brought thither, there being no navigable river neere, is by some admir'd; but for y^e stone there seemes to be y^e same kind about 20 miles distant, some of which appeare above ground. About the same hills are divers mounte rais'd, conceiv'd to be ancient intrenchments or places of burial after bloudy fights. We now went by the Devizes, a reasonable large towne, and came late to Cadenham.

27. I went to the hunting of a sorel deere, and had excellent chase for 4 or 5 hours, but the venison little worth.

29 July. I went to Langford to see my cousin Stephens. I also saw Dryfield, y^e house heretofore of Sir John Pretyman, grandfather to my wife, and sold by her uncle; both y^e seate and house very honourable and well built, much after the modern fashion.

31. Taking leave of Cadenham, where we had ben long and nobly entertain'd, we went a compass into Leicestershire, where dwelt another relation of my wife's; for I indeede made these excursions to shew her y^e most considerable parts of her native country, who from her childhood had liv'd altogether in France, as well as for my owne curiocty and information.

About two miles before coming to Gloucester, we have a prospect from woody hills into a most goodly vale and country. Gloucester is a handsome City, considerable for the Church & monuments. The Minster is indeeđe a noble fabrie. The whispering gallery is rare, being thro' a passage of 25 yards, in a many-angled cloister, and was, I suppose, either to shew the skill of the architect, or some invention of a cunning priest, who standing unseene in a recess in the middle of the Chappell, might heare whatever was spoken at either end. This is above the quire, in which lies buried K. Stephen under a monument of Irish oak, uot ill carved considering the age. The new Librarie is a noble tho' a private designe. I was likewise pleased with y^e Severne gliding so sweetely by it. The Duke's house, the Castle workes, are now almost quite dismantl'd; nor yet without sad thoughts did I see the Towne, considering how fatal the siege had ben a few yearēs before to our good King.

1 Aug^t. We sat out towards Worcester by a way thick planted with eider-fruit. We deviated to the Holy Wells, trickling out of a vally thro' a steepe declivity towards the foote of the greate Mauvern Hills; they are said to heale many infirmities, as king's evil, leprosie, sore eyes, &c. Ascending a great hieght above them to the Trench dividing England from South Wales, we had the prospect of all Herefordshire, Radnor, Brecknock, Monmouth, Worcester, Gloucester, Shropshire, Warwick, Derby shires, and many more. We could discern Tewxbery, Kings-rode towards Bristol, &c. so as I esteeme it one of the goodliest vista's in England.

2. This evening we ariv'd at Worcester, the Judges of Assise and Sheriff just entering as we did. Viewing the Towne the next day, we found y^e Cathedral much ruin'd by the late warrs, otherwise a noble structure. The Towne is neatly pav'd and very cleane, the goodly river Severne running by it, and standing in a most fertile country.

3. We pass'd next thro' Warwick, and saw the Castle, the dwelling-house of the Lord Brook, and the furniture noble. It is built on an eminent rock wh^{ch} gives prospect into a most goodly greene, a woody and pleutifully watered country; the river running so delightfully under it, that it may passe for one of the most surprising seats one should

meete with. The gardens are pretily disposed, but might be much improv'd. Here they show us S^r Guy's greate two-handed sword, staff, horse-armes, pott, and other reliques of y^e famous knight-errant. Warwick is a faire old Towne, and hath one Church full of antient monuments. Having viewed these, I went to visite my worthy friend Sir H. Puckering at the Abby, and tho' a melancholy old seate, yet in a rich soile. Hence to Sir Guy's Grott, where they say he did his penances and dyed. 'Tis a squalid den made in the rock, crown'd yet with venerable oakes and looking on a goodly streme, so as, were it improv'd as it might be, 'twere capable of being made a most romantique and pleasant place. Neere this we were shew'd his chapell and gigantic statue hewn out of the solid rock, out of which there are likewise divers other caves cut, & some very spacious. The next place to Coventry. The Crosse is remarkable for Gotic worke and rich gilding, comparable to any I had ever seen except that of Cheapeside in London, now demolish'd. This Citty has many handsome churches, a beautifull wall, a faire free-schole and librarie to it; the streetes full of greate shops, cleane and well pav'd. At going forth the Gate they shew us the bone or rib of a wild boare said to have ben kill'd by Sir Guy, but which I take to be the chine of a whale.

4. Hence riding thro' a considerable part of Leicestershire, an open, rich, but unpleasant country, we came late in the evening to Hornings-hold, a seate of my wife's uncle [not nam'd].

7. Went to Uppingham, the Shire-towne of Rutland, pretty and well built of stone, which is a rarity in that part of England, where most of the rural parishes are but of mud, and the people living as wretchedly as in the most impoverish'd parts of France, which they much resemble, being idle and sluttish. The country (especially Leicestershire) much in common; the gentry free drinkers.

9. To the old and ragged City of Leicester, large and pleasantly seated, but despicably built, y^e chimney flues like so many smiths forges; however, famous for the tombe of the Tyrant Richard the Third, which is now converted to a cistern, at which (I think) cattel drink. Also here in one of the Churches lies buried the magnificent Cardinal Wolsey. John of Gaunt has here also built a large but poore Hospital, neere

which a wretch has made him an house out of the ruines of a stately church. Saw y^e ruines of an old Roman Temple, thought to be of Janus. Entertain'd at a very fine collation of fruits, such as I did not expect to meet with so far North, especially very good melons. We return'd to my uncle's.

14. I tooke a journey into the Northern parts, riding thro' Oakham, a pretty towne in Rutlandshire, famous for the tenure of the Barons (Ferrers), who hold it by taking off a shoe from every noble-man's horse that passes with his Lord thro' the streetc, unless redeem'd with a certain piece of money. In token of this are severall gilded shoes nail'd up on the Castle-gate *, which seemes to have ben large and faire. Hence we went by Brook, a very sweete seate and parke of the old Lady Camdens. Next by Burleigh House, belonging to the Duke of Buckingham †, and worthily reckon'd among the noblest seates in England, situate on the brow of an hill, built *a la moderne* neere a park wall'd in, and a fine wood at the descent.

Now we were come to Cottsmore, a pretty seate belonging to Mr. Heath, sonn to the late L^d Cheif Justice of that name. Here, after dinner, parting with the company that conducted us thus far, I pass'd that evening by Belvoir Castle, built on a round mount at the point of a long ridge of hills, which affords a stately prospect, and is famous for its strenuous resistance in the late civil warr ‡.

Went by Newark on Trent, a brave towne and garrison. Next by Wharton House, belonging to y^e Lord Chaworth, an handsom seate: then by Home, a noble place belonging to the Marques of Dorchester, and pass'd the famous river Trent, which divides the South from the North of England, and so lay that night at Nottingham. This whole Towne and County seemes to be but one entire rock as it were, an exceeding pleasant shire, full of gentry. Here I observ'd divers to

* A shoe was paid for by the Duke of York in 1788.

† Called Burleigh on the Hill, for distinction from the Earl of Exeter's near Stamford. The Duke of Buckingham sold it to the family of Finch, now Earl of Winchelss and Nottingham, to whom it belongs.

‡ New apartments built by the present Duke, but the old part was burnt down in Oct. 1815, suspected to be incendiaries.

live in the rocks and caves, much after y^e manner as about Tours in France*. The Church is well built on an eminence ; there is a faire house of the Lord Clare's, another of Pierreponts ; an ample market-place ; large streetes full of crosses ; the reliques of an ancient castle hollow'd, beneath wh^ere are many caverns, especially that of the Scots King, and his work whilst there. The place is remarkable for being the place where his Ma^y first erected his standard at the beginning of our late unhappy differences. This prospects from this city towards the river and meadows are most delightfull.

15. We pass'd next thro' Sherewood Forest, accounted the most extensive in England. Then Paplewick, an incomparable vista with the pretty castle neere it. Thence we saw Newstead Abby belonging to y^e Lord Biron, situated much like Fontaine-bleau in France †, capable of being made a noble seate, accommodated as it is with brave woods and streames ; it has yet remaining the front of a glorious Abby Church. Next by Mansfield Towne ; then Welbeck, the house of the Marques of Newcastle, seated in a botome in a park, and environ'd with woods, a noble yet melancholy seate. The palace is a handsom and stately building. Next to Worksop Abby, almost demolish'd ; the Church has a double flat towre intire, and a pretty gate. The Manoir belongs to the Earle of Arundel, and has to it a faire house at the foote of an hill in a park that affords a delicate prospect. Tickel, a Towne and Castle, has a very noble prospect. All these in Nottinghamshire.

16. We ariv'd at Doncaster, where we lay this night ; it is a large fairs towne, famous for greate wax-lights and good stockings.

17. Pass'd thro' Pontefract ; the Castle, famous for many sieges both of late and ancient times, and the death of y^e unhappy King murdered in it (Richard II.) was now demolishing by the Rebels ; it stands on a mount and makes a goodly shew at a distance. The Queene has an house here, and there are many faire seats neere it, especially Mr. Pierrepont's, built at the foote of an hill out of the Castle ruines. We all alighted in y^e highway to drink at a cristal spring wh^ere they call Robin Hood's Well ; neere it is a stone chaire,

and an iron ladle to drink out of, chain'd to the seat. We rode to Tadcaster, at the side of which we have prospect of the Archbishop's Palace (w^{ch} is a noble seate), and in sight of divers other gentlemen's faire houses. This tract is a goodly, fertile, well-water'd and wooded country, abounding with pasture and plenty of provisions.

17 Aug^t. To York, the second City of England, fairely wall'd, of a circular forme, water'd by the brave river Ouse, bearing vessels of considerable burthen on it; over it is a stone bridge emulating y^t of London, and built on, the middle arch is larger than any I have seene in England, with a wharfe of hewn stone, which makes the river ap-peare very neate. But most remarkable and worthy seeing is St. Peter's Cathedrall, which of all the greate churches in England had been best preserv'd from y^e furie of y^e sacrilegious*, by composition with the Rebells when they tooke the City, during the many incursions of Scotch and others. It is a most intire magnificent piece of Gotic architecture. The skreene before y^e quire is of stone carv'd wth flowers, running work and statuēs of y^e old Kings. Many of the monuments are very ancient. Here, as a greate rarity in these days and at this time, they shew'd me a Bible and Common Prayer Book cover'd with crimson velvet, and richly emboss'd with silver gilt; also a service for y^e altar, of guilt wrought plate, flagons, basin, euer, chalices, patens, &c. with a gorgeous covering for y^e altar and pulpit, carefully preserv'd in y^e Vcstrie, in the hollow wall whereof rises a plentifull spring of excellent water. I got up to y^e Towre, whence we had a prospect towards Duresme, and could see Rippoh, part of Lancashire, the famous and fatal Marston Moore, y^e Spaws of Knaresbrough, and all the environs of that admirable country. Sir —— Ingoldsby has here a large house, gardens, and tennis court; also the King's house and Church neere the Castle, which was modernly fortified with a palizade and bastions. The streetes are narrow and ill pav'd, the shops like Londou.

18 Aug. We went to Beverly, a large towne with 2 stately churches, St. John's and St. Marie's, not much inferior to the best of

our Cathedrals. Here a very old woman shew'd us the monuments, and being above 100 yeares old, spake y^e language of Queen Marie's daies, in whose time she was born; she was widow of a Sexton who had belong'd to y^e church an hundred yeares.

Hence we pass'd thro' a fenny but rich country to Hull, situate like Calais, modernly and strongly fortified with three block-houses of brick and earth. It has a good mercat-place and harbour for ships. Famous also (or rather infamous) is this towne for Hotham's refusing enterance to his Maj^y. The Water-house is worth seeing. And here ends the South of Yorkshire.

19. We passe the Humber, an arme of the sea of about 2 leagues breadth. The weather was bad, but we cross'd it in a good barg to Barton, the first towne in that part of Lincolnshire. All marsh ground till we came to Brigg, famous for the plantations of licorice, and then had brave pleasant riding to Lincoln, much resembling Salisbury Plaine. Lincoln is an old confus'd towne, very long, uneven-steep, and ragged; formerly full of good houses, especialy churches and abbyes. The Minster almost comparable to y^e of York it selfe, abounding with marble pillars and having a faire front. Herein was interr'd Q. Elianor, the loyal and loving wife who suck'd the poison out of her husband's wound; the Abbot founder, wth rare carving in y^e stone; the greate Bell, or Tom, as they call it; I went up the steeple, from whence is a goodly prospect all over the country. The souldiers had lately knocked off most of the brasses from the grave-stones, so as few inscriptions were left; they told us that these men went in with axes and hammers, and shut themselves in, till they had rent and torn off some barge-loads of mettal, not sparing even the monuments of the dead, so hellish an avarice possessed them; besides wth they exceedingly ruin'd the City.

Here I saw a tall woman six foote two inches high, comely, middle ag'd and well proportion'd, who kept a very neate and cleane ale-house, and got most by people's coming to see her on account of her height.

20. From hence we had a most pleasant ride over a large heath open like Salisbury Plaine, to Grantham, a pretty towne, so well situ-

ated on the side of a bottome, which is large and at distance environ'd with ascending grounds, that for pleasure I consider it comparable to most inland places of England: famous is the Steeple for the exceeding height of the shaft, which is of stone.

About 18 miles South we passe by a noble seate, and see Boston at a distance. Here we came to a parish of which the parson has Tithe Ale.

Thence thro' Rutland we brought night to Horninghold, from whence I sat out on this excursion.

22. I went a setting and hawking, where we had tolerable sport.

25. I went to see Kirby, a very noble house of my Lord Hatton's in Northamptonshire, built *à la moderne*; the garden and stables agreeable, but the avenue ungraceful and the seate naked: returned that evening.

27. Mr. Allington preach'd an excellent discourse from Romans 6. 19. This was he who publish'd those bold sermons of the members warring against the wind, or the Jewes crucifying Christ, applied to the wicked regicides, for which he was ruin'd. We had no sermon in the afternoone.

30. Taking leave of my friends who had now feasted me more than a moneth, I, with my wife, &c. set our faces towards home; and got this evening to Peterborow, passing by a stately palace (Thorpe) of St. John's (one deepe in y^e bloud of our good King), built out of the ruines of the Bishops Palace and Cloyster. The Church is exceeding faire, full of monuments of greate antiquity. Here lies Queene Catharine, the unhappy wife of Hen. VIII. and the no lesse unfortunate Mary Q. of Scots. On the steeple we view'd the Fens of Lincolnshire, now much inclos'd and drained with infinite expence, and by many sluices, cutts, mounds, and ingenious mills, and the like inventions, at which the Citty and country about it, consisting of a poore and very lazy sort of people, were much diapleas'd.

Peterborow is an handsome towne, and hath another well-built Church.

31. Thro' part of Huntingdon shire we passe that towne, faire and ancient, a river running by it. The country about it so abounds in

wheate, that when any King of England passes thro' it they have a custom to meet him with an hundred plows.

This evening to Cambridge; and went first to see St. John's Colledge, well built of brick, and Librarie, which I think is y^e fairest of that University One Mr. Benlowes * has given it all y^e ornaments of Pietra Commessa †, whereof a table and one piece of perspective is very fine; other trifles there also be of no great value, besides a vast old song book or service, and some faire manuscripts. There hangs in y^e library the picture of John Williams Abp. of York sometime Lord Keeper, my kinsman and their greate benefactor.

Trinity College is said by some to be the fairest quadrangle of any University in Europ, but in truth is far inferior to that of Christ Church in Oxford; the hall is ample and of stone, y^e fountaine in y^e quadrangle is gracefull, the Chapell and Library faire. There they shew'd us the prophetic manuscript of the famous Grebner, but the passage and emblem which they would apply to our late King, is manifestly relating to the Swedish; in truth it seemes to be a meere fantastic rhapsody, however the title may bespeake strange revelations. There is an Office in manuscript with fine miniatures, and some other antiquities given by y^e Countess of Richmond, mother of Henry VII. and the before mention'd Abp. Williams when Bishop of Lincoln. The Library is pretty well stor'd. The Greeke Professor had me into another large quadrangle cloister'd and well built, and gave us a handsome collation in his own chamber.

Thence to Caius, and afterwards to King's College, where I found the Chapel altogether answer'd expectation, especially the roofe all of stone, w^{ch} for the flatness of its laying and carving, may I conceive, vie with any in Christehdome. The contignuation of the roof (w^{ch} I went upon) weight and artificial joyneing of the stones is admirable. The lights are also very faire. In one ile lies the faunous Dr. Collins so celebrated for his fluency in the Latin tongue. From this roofe we could descrey

* Edward Benlowes, Esq; a writer of Divine Poesy, of a good family in Essex, and of a good estate, but which he wasted by improvident liberality, and buying curiosities, as Wood says. Wood's Fasti, 876.

† Marble inlaid of various colours representing flowers, birds, &c.

Ely, and ye incampment of Sturbridge faire now beginning to set up their tents and boothes; also Royston, Newmarket, &c. houses belonging to the King. The Library is too narrow.

Clare Hall is of a new and noble designe, but not finish'd.

Peter House formerly under ye government of my worthy friend Dr. Jo. Cosin Deane of Peterborow*; a pretty neate College having a delicate Chapell. Next to Sidney, a fine College.

Catharine Hall, tho' a meane struture, is yet famous for the learned Bp. Andrews, once Master. Emanuel Colledge, that zealous house, where to the Hall they have a parler for ye Fellows. The Chapell is reform'd, *ab origine*, built N. and South, meanely built, as is ye Librarie.

Jesus College, one of the best built but in a melancholy situation. Next to Christ College, a very noble erection, especialy the modern part, built without the quadrangle towards ye gardens, of exact architecture.

The Schooles are very despicable, and Public Librarie but meane, tho' somewhat improv'd by the wainscotting and books lately added by the Bp. Bancroft's Library and MSS. They shew'd us little of antiquity, onely K. James's Works, being his owne gift and kept very reverently.

The Mercat-place is very ample, and remarkable for old Hobson the pleasant Carrier's beneficence of a fountaine ‡. But the whole towne is situate in a low dirty unpleasant place, ye streetes ill paved, the aire thick and infected by the Fennes, nor are its churches (of w^{ch} St. Marie's is the best) any thing considerable in compare to Oxford §.

From Cambridge we went to Audley End, and spent some time in seeing that goodly palace built by Howard Earl of Suffolk, once Lord Treasurer. It is a mixt fabric 'twixt antiqu and modern, but observable for its being compleately finish'd, and without comparison is one of the stateliest palaces of the kingdom. It consists of two courts, ye first very large, wing'd with cloisters. The front hath a double entracice; the hall is faire, but somewhat too small for so august a pile. The kitchen

* Ejected from all his preferments in 1640 or 1641. Afterwards Bishop of Durham.

† It is rather a conduit.

‡ The reader must remember that an Oxford man is speaking.

is very large, as are the cellars arch'd w^t stone, very neat and well dispos'd; these offices are joyn'd by a wing out of y^e way very handsomely. The gallery is the most cheerfull, and I thinke one of the best in England: a faire dining-roome, and the rest of y^e lodgings answerable; with a pretty chapell. The gardens are not in order, tho' well inclos'd. It has also a bowling-alley, a nobly well wall'd, wooded, and water'd park, full of fine collines and ponds: the river glides before y^e palace, to which is an avenue of lime trees, but all this is much diminish'd by its being plac'd in an obscure bottome; for the rest, it is a perfectly uniform structure, and shewes without like a diadem, by y^e decorations of the cupolas and other ornaments on y^e pavilions, instead of railes and balusters, there is a bordure of capital letters, as was lately also on Suffolk House neere Charing Crosse, built by the same Lord Tress^r*.

This house stands in the parish of Saffron Walden, famous for y^e abundance of saffron there cultivated, and esteem'd the best of any forraine country.

3 Oct. Having din'd here we pass'd thro' Bishop's Stortford, a pretty water'd towne, and so by London late home to Sayes Court, after a journey of 700 miles, but for the variety an agreeable refreshment after my turmoile and building, &c.

10. To my brother at Wotton, who had ben sick.
14. I went to visit my noble friend Mr. Hyldiard, where I met that learned gentleman my Lord Aungier, and Dr. Stokes, one of his Ma^{rs} Chaplains.

15. To Betchworth Castle to St Ambrose Browne, and other gentlemen of my sweete and native country.

24. The good old parson Higham preach'd at Wotton Church: a plaine preacher, but innocent and honest man.

23 Oct. I went to London to visit my co. Fanshawe, and this day I saw one of the rarest collections of achates, onyxes, and intaglios, that I had ever seene either at home or abroad, collected by a conceited old hatt-maker in Black Friers, especialy one achat vase, heretofore the greate Earle of Leicester's.

* Where Suffolk Street is now built.

28. Came Lady Langham, a kinswoman of mine, to visit us; also one Captⁿ. Cooke, esteem'd y^e best singer after y^e Italian manner of any in England; he entertain'd us with his voice and theorba.

31. My birth-day, being the 34th yeare of my age: blessing God for his providence I went to London to visite my brother.

3 Dec. Advent Sunday. There being no office at the church, but extemporie prayers after y^e Presbyterian way, for now all formes were prohibited, and most of the preachers were usurpers, I seldom went to church upon solemn feasts, but either went to London, where some of the orthodox sequestred Divines did privately use y^e Common Prayer, administer sacraments, &c. or else I procur'd one to officiate in my house; wherefore, on the 10th, Dr. Rich^d Owen, the sequester'd minister of Eltham, preach'd to my family in my library, and gave us y^e holy communion.

25. Christmas Day. No public offices in churches, but penalties on observers, so as I was constrain'd to celebrate it at home.

1655. Jan. 1. Having with my Family performed the public offices of the day, and begged a blessing on the yeare I was now entering, I went to keepe the rest of Christmas at my brother's, R. Evelyn at Woodcot.

19. My wife was brought to bed of another son, being my third but second living. Christen'd on y^e 25th by y^e name of John.

28. A stranger preached from 3 Colossians, 2, inciting our affections to the obtaining heavenly things. I understood afterwards that this man had ben both Chaplaine and Lieutenant to Admiral Pen, using both swords, whether ordained or not I cannot say; into such times were we fallen!

Feb: 24. I was shew'd a table clock whose ballance was onely a chrystall ball sliding on parallel wyers without being at all fixed, but rolling from stage to stage till falling on a spring conceal'd from sight, it was throwne up to the upmost channel againe, made with an imperceptible declivity, in this continual vicissitude of motion prettily entertaining the eye every halfe minute, and the next halfe giving progress to the hand that shew'd the hour, and giving notice by a small bell, so as in 120 halfe minutes; or periods of the bullet's falling on the ejaculatorie spring, the clock part struck. This very extraordinary piece

(richly adorn'd) had been presented by some German Prince to our late King, and was now in possession of the Usurper, valu'd at 200*l.*

2 Mar. Mr. Simson, y^e King's jeweler, shew'd me a most rich achat cup of an escalop shape and having a figure of Cleopatra at the scroll, her body, haire, mantle, and vaile of the severall natural colours. It was supported by a halfe M. Antouy, the colours rarely natural, and y^e work truly antique, but I conceiv'd they were of severall pieces; had they ben all of one stone it were invaluable.

18. Went to London on purpose to heare that excellent preacher Dr. Jeremy Taylor on 14 Matt. 17. shewing what were the conditions of obtaining eternal life: also concerning abatements for unavoidable infirmitiess, how cast on the accompts of y^e Crosse. On the 31st I made a visit to Dr. Jerr. Taylor to conferr with him about some spiritual matters, using him thenceforward as my ghostly father. I beseech God Almighty to make me ever mindful of, and thankful for, his heavenly assistances.

2 April. This was the first weeke that my V. Pret. [Uncle Pretyman] being parted with his family from me, I began housekeeping, till new sojourning with him in my owne house.

9. I went to see y^e greate ship newly built by the Usurper Oliver, carrying 96 brasse guns, and 1000 tons burthen. In y^e prow was Oliver on horseback, trampling 6 Nations under foote, a Scott, Irishman, Dutchman, Frenchman, Spaniard, and English, as was easily made out by their several habits. A Fame held a laurel over his insulting head; y^e word, *God with us.*

15. I went to London with my family to celebrate y^e feast of Easter. Dr. Wild preach'd at St. Gregorie's; the Ruling Powers coniiving at y^e use of the Liturgy &c. in this church alone. In y^e afternoone Mr. Pierson (since Bp. of Chester) preach'd at East Cheape, but was disturb'd by an alarne of fire, which about this time was very frequent in the Cittie.

29 May. I sold Preston to Col. Morley.

June 17. There was a collection for the Persecuted Churches and Christians in Savoy, rempants of the ancient Albigenes.

3 July. I was shew'd a pretty Terrella, describ'd with all y^e circles, and shewing all y^e magnetic deviations, &c.

14. Came Mr. Pratt, my old acquaintance at Rome, also Sir Edward Hales, S^r Jo. Tufton w^h Mr. Seamour.

1 Aug. I went to Darking to see Mr. Cha. Howard's amphitheater, garden, or solitarie recess*, being 15 acres environ'd by a hill. He shew'd us divers rare plants, caves, and an elahoratory.

10. I went to Alburie to visit Mr. Howard, who had begun to build and alter y^e gardens much. He shewd me many rare pictures, particularly the *Moore on horseback*; *Erasmus* as big as the life, by Holbein; a *Madona* in miniature by Oliver; but above all the *Skull* carv'd in wood by Albert Durer, for which his father was offer'd 100l.; also *Albert's head* by himselfe; with divers rare achates, intalias, and other curiosities.

21. I went to Rygate to visite Mrs. Cary at my Lady Peterboro's, in an antient monastery well in repaire, but the parke much defac'd; the house is nobly furnish'd. The chimney-piece in the greate chamber, carv'd in wood, was of Hen. 8. and was taken from an house of his in Blechinglee. At Rygate was now y^e Archbishop of Armagh, the learned James Usher, whom I went to visite. He receiv'd me exceeding kindly. In discourse with him he told me how greate the losse of time was to study much the Eastern languages; that excepting Hebrew there was little fruite to be gather'd of exceeding labour; that besides some mathematical booke, the Arabic it selfe had little considerable; that the best text was y^e Hebrew Bible; that y^e Septuagint was finish'd in 70 daies, but full of errors, about which he was then writing; that St. Hieron's was to be valued next the Hebrew; also that the 70 translated the Pentateuch onely, the rest was finish'd by others; that the Italians at present understood but little Greeke, and Kircher was a mountebank; that Mr. Selden's best book was his "Titles of Honour;" that the Church would be destroyed by sectaries, who would in all likelihood bring in Poperie. In conclusion he recommended to me y^e

* Called Deepden, the property of Thomas Hope, Esq. (1816.)

study of Philologie above all human studies ; and so^{tho'} with his blessing I tooke my leave of this excellent person, and returned to Wotton.

27. I went to Box-hill to see those rare natural bowers, cabinets, and shady walkes in the box copses : Hence we walk'd to Mickleham, and saw Sir F. Stidolph's seate environ'd with elme-trees and walnuts innumerable, and of which last he told us they receiv'd a considerable revenue. Here are such goodly walkes and hills shaded with yew and box as render the place extremely agreeable, it seeming from these ever-greens to be summer all the winter.

28. Came that renown'd mathematician Mr. Oughtred^{*} to see me, I sending my coach to bring him to Wotton, being now very aged. Amongst other discourse he told me he thought water to be the philosopher's first matter, and that he was well perswaded of the possibility of their elixir; he believ'd the sunn to be a material fire, the moone a continent, as appears by the late Selenographers ; he had strong apprehensions of some extraordinary event to happen y^e following yeare, from the calculation of coincidence with the diluvian period ; and added that it might possibly be to convert y^e Jewes by our Saviour's visible appearance, or to judge y^e world ; and therefore his word was *Parate in occasum*; he said original sin was not met with in the Greeke Fathers, yet he believ'd y^e thing ; this was from some discourse on Dr. Taylor's late booke w^{ch} I had lent him.

16. Preach'd at St. Gregorie's one Darnel on 4 Psalm 4. concerning y^e benefit of selfe examiuation ; more learning in *so short a time as an hour* I have seldom heard.

17 Sept. Receiv'd 2600L of Mr. Hurt for the manor of Warley Magna in Essex, purchased by me some time since. The taxes were so intollerable that they ate up the rents &c. surcharged as that county had been above all others during our unnatural war.

19. Came to see me S^t Edw. Hales, Mr. Ashmole, Mr. Harlakenton, and Mr. Thornhill : and the next day I visited Sir Hen. Newton at Charleton, where I met the Earl of Winchelsea and Lady Beauchamp, daughter to the L^d Capel.

* Rector of Albury.

On Sunday afternoone I frequently stay'd at home to catechise and instruct my familie, those exercises universally ceasing in the parish churches, so as people had no principles, and grew very ignorant of even the common points of Christianity; all devotion being now plac'd in hearing sermons and discourses of speculative and national things.

26. I went to see Col. Blount's subterrancan warren, and drank of the wine of his vineyard, which was good for little.

31. Sir Nich. Crisp came to treate with me about his vast designe of a Mole* to be made for ships in part of my grounds at Sayes Court.

3 Nov. I had accidentally discourse with a Persian and a Greeke concerning the devastation of Poland by y^e late incursion of the Swedes.

27. To London about S^r Nich^r Crisps designs.

I went to see York House and gardens belonging to the former greate Buckingham, but now much ruin'd thro' neglect †.

Thence to visit honest and learned Mr. Hartlib ‡, a public spirited and ingenious person, who had propagated many usefull things and arts. He told me of the Castles which they set for ornament on their stoves in Germany (he himselfe being a Lithuanian as I remember), which are furnish'd with small ordinance of silver on the battlements, out of which they discharge excellent perfumes about the roomes charging them with a little powder to set them up fire and disperse the smoke; and in truth no more than neede, for their stoves are sufficiently nasty. He told me of an inke that would give a dozen copies, moist sheets of paper being press'd on it, and remaine perfect; and a receipt how to take off any print without the least injury to the originall. This gentleman was master of innumerable curiosities and very communicative. I returned home that evening by water, and was afflicted for it with a cold that had almost kill'd me.

27. This day came forth the Protectors Edict or Proclamation, prohibiting all ministers of the Church of England from preaching or

* See hereafter, under 1652, January.

† The Duke's names and titles are still preserved in the buildings erected on the site; viz. George Street, Villiers Street, Duke Street, Off Alley, Buckingham Street.

‡ Samuel Hartlib, Milton's Tractate of Education is addressed to him. Mr. Todd in his Life of that Poet prefixed to the last Edition of his Poetical Works, observes that, "a Life of Hartlib is a desideratum in English Biography;" there are ample materials for it in the publications of the time.

teaching any scholes, in which he imitated the Apostate Julian ; with y^e decimation of all y^e royal parties revenges throughout Englad.

14 Dec. I visited Mr. Hobbs y^e famous philosopher of Malmesbury, with whom I had ben long acquainted in France.

Now were the Jews admitted.

25. There was no more notice taken of Christmas day in churches.

I went to London where Dr. Wild preach'd the funeral sermon of Preaching, this being the last day, after which Cromwell's proclamation was to take place, that none of the Church of England should dare either to preach or administer Sacraments, teach schoole, &c. on paine of imprisonment or exile. So this was y^e mournfullest day that in my life I had seene, or y^e Church of England herselfe since y^e Reformation ; to the greate rejoicing of both Papist and Presbyter*. So pathetic was his discourse that it drew many teares from the auditory. Myself, wife, and some of our family receiv'd y^e Communion ; God make me thankfull, who hath hitherto provided for us the food of our soules as well as bodies ! The Lord Jesus pity our distress'd Church, and bring back the captivity of Sion !

1656. 5 Jan. Caine to visit me my Lord Lisle, sonn to y^e Earle of Leicester, with Sir Charles Ouseley, two of the Usurper's Council ; Mr. John Hervey, and John Denham the poet.

18. Went to Eltham on foote, being a greate frost, but a mist falling as I returned, gave me such a rheume as kept me within doores neere a whole moneth after.

5 Feb. Was shew'd me a pretty perspective and well represented in a triangular box, the greate Church of Harlem in Holland, to be seene thro' a small hole at one of the corners and costriv'd into an handsome cabinet. It was so rarely don, that all the artists and painters in town flock'd to see and admire it.

10. I heard Dr. Wilkins † preach before y^e Lord Mayor in St. Pauls, shewing how obedience was preferable to sacrifice. He was a

* The text was 9 Cor. 13. 9. That, however persecution dealt with the Ministers of God's word, they were still to pray for the flocke, and wish their perfection, as it was the flocke to pray for and assist their pastors, by the example of St. Paul. J. E.

† Afterwards Bishop of Chester.

most obliging person, who had married the Protector's sister, and tooke greate pains to preserve the Universities from the ignorant sacrilegious Commanders and Souldiers, who would faine have demolish'd all places and persons that pretended to learning.

11. I ventur'd to go to White-hall, where of many yeares I had not ben, and found it very glorious and well furnish'd, as far as I could safely go, and was glad to find they had not much defac'd y^e rare piece of Hen. VII. &c. don on the walles of the King's privy chamber.

14. I dined with Mr. Berkeley, son of Lord Berkeley of Berkeley Castle, where I renewed my acquaintance with my Lord Bruce, my fellow-traveller in Italy.

19. Went with Dr. Wilkins to see Barlow, y^e famous painter of fowls, beasts, and birds.

4 Mar. This night I was invited by Mr. Roger L'Estrange to hear the incomparable Lubicer on the violin. His variety on a few notes and plaine ground with that wonderful dexterity was admirable. Tho' a young man, yet so perfect and skilfull, that there was nothing, however cross and perplext, brought to him by our Artists, which he did not play off at sight with ravishing sweetnesse and improvements, to the astonishment of our best Masters. In sum he plaid on y^e single instrument a full concert, so as the rest flung down their instruments, acknowledging y^e victory. As to my own particular, I stand to this hour amaz'd that God should give so greate perfection to so young a person. There were at that time as excellent in their profession as any were thought to be in Europ, Paul Wheeler, Mr. Moll and others, till this prodigie appear'd. I can no longer question the effects we reade of in David's harp to charme evil spirits, or what is said some particular notes produc'd in the passions of Alexander, and that King of Denmark.

12 April. Mr. Berkeley and Mr. Rob^t Boyle (that excellent person and greate virtuoso), Dr. Taylor and Dr. Wilkins, din'd with me at Sayes Court, when I presented Dr. Wilkins with my rare burning-glass. In the afternoone we all went to Col. Blount's, to see his new-invented plows.

22. Came to see me Mr. Henshaw and S^r W^m Paxton's sonns, since

Earle of Yarmouth. Afterwards I went to see his Majesty's house at Eltham, both Palace and Chapell in miserable ruines, the noble woods and park destroy'd by Rich the Rebell.

6 May. I brought Mons^t le Franc a young French Sorbounist, a proselyte, to converse with Dr. Taylor; they fell to dispute on original sin, in Latine, upon a booke newly publish'd by the Doctor, who was much satisfied with the young man. Thence I went to see Mr. Dugdale, our learned Antiquarie and Herald. Returning, I was shew'd the three vast volumes of Father Kircher's "Obeliscus Pamphilus" and "Aegyptiacus;" in the 2nd volume I found the Hieroglyphic I first communicated and sent to him at Rome by the hands of Mr. Henshaw, whom he mentions. I design'd it from y^e stone it selfe brought me to Venice from Cairo by Cap. Powell*.

7. I visited Dr. Taylor and prevail'd on him to propose Mons^t le Franc to the Bishop that he might have orders, I having some time before brought him to a full consent to the Church of England her doctrine and discipline, in which he had till of late made some difficulty; so he was this day ordain'd both Deacon and Priest by y^e Bishop of Meath. I paid the fees to his Lordship, who was very poore and in greate want, to that necessity were our Clergy reduc'd! In the afternoone I met Alderman Robinson, to treat with Mr. Papillion about y^e marriage of my cousin George Tuke with Mrs. Fontaine.

8. I went to visit Dr. Wilkins at White-hall, when I first met with Sir P. Neale, famous for his optic glasses. Creatorix y^e mathematical instrument maker shew'd me his excellent invention to quench fire.

12. Was publish'd my Essay on Lucretius,†, with innumerable errata by y^e negligence of Mr. Triplet who undertook the correction of

* See p. 199.

† A Translation into English verse of the first Book only, the Frontispiece to which was designed by Mr. Evelyn's Lady. Prefixed to the copy in the Library at Wotton is this note in his own hand-writing: "Never was book so abominably misused by printer: never copy so negligently surveyed by one who undertooke to looke over the prooife-sheets with all exactnesse and care, namely Dr. Triplet, well knowne for his abiitie, and who pretended to oblige me in my absence, and so readily offer'd himselfe. This good yet I received by it, that publishing it vainly, its ill successe at the printer's disquieted me with troubling the worlde with the rest."

y^e press in my absence. Little of y^e Epicurean philosophy was then known amongst us.

28. I din'd with Nieuport y^e Holland Ambassador, who receiv'd me with extraordinary courtesie. I found him a judicious, crafty and wise man. He gave me excellent cautions as to the danger of the times, and the circumstances our nation was in. I remember the observation he made upon the ill success of our former Parliaments, and their private animosities, and little care of y^e public.

Came to visit me the old Marques of Argyle (since executed), Lord Lothian, and some other Scotch noblemen, all strangers to me. Note, the Marques tooke the turtle-doves in y^e aviary for owles.

The Earl of Southampton (since Treasurer) and Mr. Spencer, brother to the Earle of Sunderland, came to see my garden.

7 July. I began my journey to see some parts of y^e North East of England, but y^e weather was so excessive hot and dusty I shortned my progresse.

8. To Colchester, a faire towne, but now wretchedly demolished by the late siege, especiaaly the suburbs, which were all burnt, but were then repairing. The towne is built on a rising ground, having faire meadows on one side, and a river with a strong ancient castle, said to have ben built by K. Coilus, father of Helena mother of Constantine the Great, of whom I find no memory save at y^e pinnacle of one of their wool-staple houses, where is a statue of Coilus in wood, wretchedly carved. The walles are exceeding strong, deeply trench'd and fill'd with earth. It has 6 gates and some watch-towres, and some handsome churches. But what was shewed us as a kind of miracle, at the outside of the Castle, the wall where Sir Cha. Lucas and Sir Geo. Lisle, those valiant and noble persons who so bravely behav'd themselves in the last siege, were barbarously shot, murder'd by Ireton in cold blood after surrendering on articles; having ben disappointed of relief from the Scotch army, which had ben defeated with the King at Worcester. The place was bare of grasse for a large space, all y^e rest of it abounding with herbage. For the rest, this is a ragged and factious towne, now swarming with Sectaries. Their trading is in cloth with the Dutch, and bales and saies with Spain; it is the only place

in England, where these stuffs are made unsophisticated. It is also famous for oysters and eringo-root, growing here about and caudied for sale.

Went to Dedham, a pretty country towne, having a very faire church finely situated, the valley well watred. Here I met with Dr. Stokes, a young gentleman but an excellent mathematician. This is a clothing towne, as most are in Essex, but lies in y^e unwholesome hundreds.

Hence to Ipswich, doubtlesse one of the sweetest, most pleasant, well built Townes in England. It has twelve faire churches, many noble houses, especialy y^e L^d Devereux's; a brave kay and commodious harbor, being about 7 miles from y^e maine; an ample mercat-place. Here was born y^e greate Cardinal Wolsey, who began a palace here, which was not finish'd.

I had y^e curiosity to visite some Quakers here in prison; a new phanatic sect, of dangerous principles, who shew no respect to any man, magistrate or other, and seeme a melancholy proud sort of people, and exceedingly ignorant. One of these was said to have fasted 20 daies, but another endeavouring to do y^e like, perish'd on the 10th, when he would have eaten but could not.

10. I return'd homeward, passing againe thro' Colchester; and by the way neere the antient towne of Chelmsford, saw New Hall, built in a parke by Henry 7. and 8. and given by Queen Elizabeth to the Earle of Sussex, who sold it to the late greate Duke of Buckingham, and since seiz'd on by O. Cromwell (pretended Protector). It is a feire old house built with brick, low, being only of 2 stories, as the manner then was; y^e Gate-house better; the Court large and pretty; the staire-case of extraordinary widenesse, with a piece representing *Sir F. Drake's action* in the year 1580, an excellent sea-piece; y^e galleries are trifling; the hall is noble; the garden a faire plot, and the whole seate well accommodated with water; but above all I admir'd the faire avenue planted with stately lime-trees in 4 rowes, for neere a mile in length. It has three descents, which is the only fault, and may be reform'd. There is another faire walk of y^e same at the mall and wilderness, with a tennis-court, and pleasant terrace towards the park, which was well stor'd with deere and ponds.

11. Came home by Greenwich Ferry, where I saw Sir John Winter's new project of *charring sea-coale*, to burne out the sulphure and render it sweete. He did it by burning the coals in such earthen pots as the glasse-men mealt their mettal, so firing them without consuming them, using a barr of yron in each crucible or pot, which barr has a hook at one end, that so the coales being mealted in a furnace w^t other crude sea-coales under them, may be drawn out of y^e potts sticking to the yron, whence they are beaten off in greate halfe-exhausted cinders, which being rekindl'd make a cleare pleasant chamber fire, depriv'd of their sulphur and arsenic malignity. What successe it may have, time will discover*.

3 Aug. I went to London to receive the B. Sacrament, the first time the Church of England was reduced to a chamber and conventicle, so sharp was the persecution. The Parish Churches were fill'd with Sectaries of all sorts, blasphemous and ignorant mechanics usurping the pulpets every where. Dr. Wild + preach'd in a private house in Fleet Streete, where we had a greate meeting of zealous Christians, who were generally much more devout and religious than in our greatest prosperity. In the afternoone I went to the French Church in the Savoy, where I heard Mons^r d'Espagne catechise, and so return'd to my house.

20. Was a consus'd election of Parliament cal'd by y^e Usurper.

7 Sept. I went to take leave of my excellent neighbour and friend Sir H. Newton & Lady, now going to dwell at Warwick; and Mr. Needham, my dear and learned friend, came to visite me.

14. Now was old Sir Hen. Vane sent to Carisbrook Castle in Wight for a foolish booke he publish'd; the pretended Protector purifying himself exceedingly, and sending many to prison.

2 Oct. Came to visit me my co. Stephens, and Mr. Pierce M^r Head of Magdalen Coll. Oxford, a learned minister of Brington in Northamptonshire, and Capt. Cooke, both excellent musicians.

* Some years ago Lord Dundonald, a Scotch Antislavery reformer, having been instrumental in the projected improvement of extracting and using the Gas. Thus recently he has obtained a patent for doing by it. The Gas-Light Company sell the coal they extract, which is very good, and not exceeding

2 Nov. There was now nothing practical preached or that pressed reformation of life, but high and speculative points and straines that few understood, which left people very ignorant and of no steady principles, the source of all our sects and divisions, for there was much envy and uncharity in the world; God of his mercy amend it! Now indeed that I went at all to church whilst these usurpers possess'd the pulpits, was that I might not be suspected for a Papist, and that tho' the Minister was Presbyterian affected, he yet was as I understood duly ordain'd, and preach'd sound doctrine after their way, and besides was an humble, harmlesse and peaceable man.

25 Dec. I went to London to receive the B. Communion this holy festival at Dr. Wild's lodgings, where I rejoiced to find so full an assembly of devout and sober Christians.

26. I invited some of my neighbours and tenants according to custome, and to preserve hospitality and charity.

28. A stranger preached on 18 Luke, 7, 8. on which he made a confused discourse, with a greate deale of Greeke and ostentation of learning to but little purpose.

30. Dined with me Sir W^m. Paston's sonn, Mr. Henshaw and Mr. Clayton.

31. I begged God's blessing & mercys for his goodnessse to me the past yeere, and set my domestic affaires in order.

1657. January 1. Having praied w^b my family and celebrated y^e Anniversarie, I spent some time in imploring God's blessing the yeare I was entred into.

7 Jan. Came Mr. Matthew Wren (since Secretary to y^e Duke, slain in y^e Dutch war) eldest son to the Bishop of Ely, now a prisoner in y^e Tower; a most worthy and leارned gentleman.

10. Came Dr. Joylife, that famous physician and anatomist, first detector of the lymphatic veins; also the old Marques of Argyle and another Scotch Earle.

5 Feb. Dined at y^e Holland Ambass"; he told me the East India Company of Holland had constantly a stock of £.400,000 in India, and 48 men of war there: he spoke of their exact and just keeping their books and correspondence, so as no adventurer's stock could possibly

be lost or defeated; that it was a vulgar error that y^e Hollanders furnished their enemies with powder and ammunition for their money, tho' engag'd in a cruell warr, but that they us'd to merchandize indifferently, and were permitted to sell to the friends of their enemies. He laugh'd at our Committee of Trade, as compos'd of men wholy ignorant of it, and how they were the ruine of commerce, by gratifying some for private ends.

10 Feb. I went to visit y^e Governor of Havanna, a bravo, sober, valiant Spanish gentleman, taken by Capt. Young of Deptford, when after 20 yeares being in the Indies, and amassing greate wealth, his lady and whole family except two sonns were burnt, destroy'd and taken within sight of Spaine, his eldest sonn, daughter and wife perishing with immense treasure*. One sonn, of about 17 years old, with his brother of one yeare old, were the onely ones sav'd. The young gentleman, about 17, was a well-complexion'd youth, not olive-colour'd; he spake Latine handsomly, was extreamely well bred, and born in the Caraccas, 1000 miles South of the Equinoxial, neere the mountaines of Potosi; he had never ben in Europe before. The Governor was an ancient gentleman of greate courage, of y^e order of St. Jago, sore wounded in his arme, and his ribs broken; he lost for his owne share £100,000 sterlign, which he seem'd to bear with exceeding indifference, and nothing dejected. After some discourse I went with them to Arundel House, where they din'd. They were now going back into Spaine, having obtain'd their liberty from Cromwell. An example of human vicissitude!

14. To London, where I found Mrs. Cary; next day came Mr. Mordaunt (since Viscount Mordaunt, younger sonn to y^e Countesse of Peterborow) to see his Mistress, bringing with him two of my L^ts of Dover's daughters; so after dinner they all departed.

5 Mar. Dr. Rand, a learned phyisitian, dedicated to ms his Verion of Gassendus's Vita Peiriskii.

25. Dr. Taylor shew'd me his MSS. of Cases of Conscience; or *Ductor dubitantium*, now fitted for y^e press.

* This disastrous event is particularly noticed in Walker's Account of a War with Spain at Sea by General Montague 1656.

The Protector, Oliver, now affecting Kingship, is petition'd to take the Title on him by all his new-made sycophant Lords, &c. but dares not for feare of the Phanatics, not thoroughly purg'd out of his Rebell Army.

21 April. Came Sir Thomas Hanmer of Hanmer in Wales, to see me. I then waited on my Lord Hatton, wth whom I dined: at my returne I stept into Bedlam, where I saw several poore miserable creatures in chaines; one of them was mad with making verses. I also visited the Charter-house, formerly belonging to the Carthusians, now an old neat fresh solitarie Colledge for deceased gentlemen. It has a grove, bowling-greene, garden, chapell, and a hall where they eate in common. I likewise saw Christ-church and Hospital, a very goodly Gotic building; the hall, school, and lodgings in greate order for bringing up many hundreds of poore children of both sexes; it is an exemplary charity. There is a large picture at one end of the hall, representing the Governors, Founders, and the Institution.

25. I had a dangerous fall out of y^e coach in Covent Garden, going to my brother's, but without harme: the Lord be praised.

1 May. Divers souldiers were quarter'd at my house, but I thank God went away the next day towards Flanders.

5. I went with my cousin George Tuke to see Baynards in Surrey, an house of my brother Richard's, which he would have bin'd. This is a very faire noble residence, built in a park, and having one of the goodliest avenues of oakes up to it that ever I saw; there is a pond* of 60 acres neere it; the windows of y^e cheife roomes are of very fine painted glasse. The situation is excessively dirty and melancholy †.

15. Laurence, President of Oliver's Council, and some other of his Court Lords, came in the afternoon to see my garden and plantations.

7 June. My fourth sonn was born, christen'd George (after my Grandfather): Dr. Jer. Taylor officiating in the drawing-room.

* This pond belongs to Vackery in Cranley.

† It is in the lower part of the parish of Ewhurst in Surrey, adjoining to Rudgwick in Sussex, in a deep clay soil. It was formerly the seat of Sir Edward Bray. It belonged to the late Earl of Ormon, who carried the painted glass to his seat at Clandon.

18. At Greenwich I saw a ~~sort~~^{kind} of Catt* brought from the East Indies, shap'd and snouted much like the Egyptian racoon, in y^e body like a monkey, and so footed; the eares and taile like a catt, onely the taile much longer, and the skin variously ringed with black and white; with the taile it wound up its body like a serpent, and so got up into trees, and with it would wrap its whole body round. Its haire was woolly like a lamb; it was exceedingly nimble, gentle, and purr'd as does y^e catt.

July 16. On Dr. Jer Taylor's recommendation I went to Eltham, to help one Moody, a young man, to that living, by my interest with the Patron.

6 Aug. I went to see Col. Blount, who shewed me the application of the *Way-wiser* to a coach, exactly measuring the miles, and shewing them by an index as we went on. It had 3 circles, one pointing to y^e number of rods, another to y^e miles, by 10 to 1000, with all the subdivisions of quarters; very pretty and useful.

10. Our Vicar, from John 18. v. 36, declaim'd against y^e folly of a sort of enthusiasts and desperate zealots, call'd y^e *Fifth-Monarchy-Men*, pretending to set up the kingdome of Christ with the sword. To this passe was this age arriv'd when we had no King in Israel.

21. Fell a most prodigious rain in London, and y^e yeare was very sickly in the country.

1 Sept. I visited S^r Edmund Bowyer at his melancholy seate at Camerwell. He has a very pretty grove of oakes, and hedges of yew in his garden, and a handsom row of tall elmes before his court.

15. Going to London with some company, we stopt in to see a famous Rope-dauncer call'd *The Turk*.[†] I saw even to astonishment y^e agilitie with which he perform'd; he walk'd barefooted taking hold by his toes only of a rope almost perpendicular, and without so much as touching it with his hands; he daunc'd blindfold on y^e high rope and with a boy of 12 years old tied to one of his feete about 20 foote beneath him, dangling as he daunc'd, yet he mov'd as nimbly as if it had

* This was probably the animal called a *Mocock*, well known at present.

† Mr. Evelyn again mentions this person in his *Narrative*, under the name of the *Chinese Turk*.

ben but a feather. Lastly he stood on his head on y^e top of a very high mast, daunc'd on a small rope that was very slack, and finally flew downe y^e perpendicular, on his breast, his head foremost, his legs and arms extended, with divers other activities.— I saw the hairy woman*, 20 years old, whom I had before seen when a child. She was borne at Augsburg in Germany. Her very eye-browes were comb'd upwards, and all her forehead as thick and even as growes on any woman's head, neatly dress'd; a very long lock of haire out of each eare; she had also a most prolix beard, and mustachios, with long locks growing on y^e middle of her nose, like an Iceland dog exactly, the colour of a bright browne, fine as well-dress'd flax. She was now married, and told me she had one child that was not hairy, nor were any of her parents or relations. She was very well shap'd, and plaied well on y^e harpsi-chord, &c.

17. I went to see S^r Rob^t Needham at Lambeth, a relation of mine: and thence to John Tradescant's Musæum, in which the cheifest rarities were, in my opinion, the ancient Roman, Indian, and other nations armour, shields, and weapons; some habits of curiously-colour'd and wrought feathers, one from y^a phoenix wing as tradition goes. Other innumerable things there were, prinded in his catalogue by Mr. Ash-mole, to whom after the death of the widow they are bequeath'd, and by him design'd as a gift to Oxford†.

22. To towne to visit y^e Holland Ambass^r, with whom I had now contracted much friendly correspondence, useful to y^e intelligence I constantly gave his Majesty abroad.

19. Sept. I went to see divers gardens about London: returning, I saw at Dr. Joyliffe's 2 Virginian rattle-snakes alive, exceeding a yard in length, small heads, slender tailes, but in the middle nearly the size of my leg: when vexed, swiftly vibrating and shaking their tailes, as loud as a child's rattle: this, by the collision of certaine grissly skinns curiously jointed, yet loose, and transparent as parchment, by which

* Barbara Vanbeck. There are two portraits of her, one an engraving, the other in mezzotinto, described by Mr. Grainger in his Biography. There is also another representation of her in some German Book of Natural History.

† Where they now are in the Ashmolean Museum. See hereafter, under 1678, July.

they give warning: a providential caution for other creatures to avoid them. The Doctor tried their biting on rats and mice, wh^t they immediately killed: but their vigour must needs be much exhausted here, in another climate, and kept only in a barrell of bran.

26 Nov. I went to London to a Court of y^e East India Company upon its new union, in Merchant Taylors' Hall, where was much dissorder by reason of the Anabaptists, who would have the adventurers oblig'd onely by an engagement, without swearing, that they still might pursue their private trade; but it was carried against them. Wednesday was fix'd on for a General Court for election of officers, after a sermon and prayers for good successe. The stock resolv'd on was 800,000L

27. I tooke y^e oath at the E. India House, subscribing 500L

2 Dec. Dr. Raynolds (since Bishop of Norwich) preach'd before y^e Company at St. Andrew Undershaft, on 13 Nehemiah, 31, shewing by the example of Nehemiah all the perfections of a trusty person in publique affaires, with many good precepts apposite to y^e occasion, ending with a prayer for God's blessing on the Company and y^e undertaking.

3. Mr Gunning preached on 3 John, 3. against y^e Anabaptists, shewing y^e effect and necessity of the Sacrement of Baptisme. This sect was now wonderfully spread.

25. I went to London wjth my wife, to celebrate Christmas-day, Mr. Gunning preaching in Exeter Chapell, on 7 Michah 2. Sermon ended, as he was giving us y^e Holy Sacrement, the chapell was surrounded with souldiers, and all the communicants and assembly surpriz'd and kept prisoners by them, some in the house, others carried away. It fell to my share to be confin'd to a room in the house, where yet I was permitted to dine with the master of it, y^e Countesse of Dorset, Lady Hatton, and some others of quality who invited me. In the afternoone came Col. Whaly, Goffe and others, from White-hall, to examine us one by one; some they committed to y^e Marshalsea, some to prison. When I came before them they tooke my name and abode, examin'd me why, contrarie to an ordinance made that none should any longer observe y^e superstitious time of the Nativity (introduced by them), I durst offend, and particularly by saying Marcellus,

which they told me was but y^e masse in English, and particularly pray for Charles Steuart, for which we had no Scripture. I told them we did not pray for Cha. Steuart, but for all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors. They replied, in so doing we praied for the K. of Spaine too, who was their enemie and a papist, with other frivolous and insnaring questions and much threatening; and finding no colour to detaine me, they dismiss'd me with much pitty of my ignorance. These were men of high flight and above ordinances, and spake spiteful things of our Lord's Nativity. As we went up to receive the Sacrament, the miscreants held their muskets against us as if they would have shot us at the altar; but yet suffering us to finish the office of Communion, as perhaps not having instructions what to do in case they found us in that action. So I got home late the next day, blessed be God.

1658. 27 Jan. After six fits of a quartan ague with which it pleased God to visite him, died my deare son Richard, to our inexpressible grieve and affliction, 5 years and 3 days old onely, but at that tender age a prodigy for witt and understanding; for beauty of body a very angel; for endowment of mind of incredible and rare hopes. To give onely a little taste of some of them, and thereby glory to God, who out of the mouths of babes and infants does sometimes perfect his praises: at 2 years and halfe old he could perfectly reade any of y^e English, Latine, French, or Gotic letters, pronouncing the three first languages exactly. He had before the 5th yeare, or in that yeare, not onely skill to reade most written hands, but to decline all the nouns, conjugate the verbs regular, and most of y^e irregular; learn'd out Puerilis, got by heart almost y^e entire vocabularie of Latine and French primitives and words, could make congruous syntax, turne English into Latine, and vice versa, construe and prove what he read, and did the government and use of relatives, verbs, substantives, elipses, and many figures and tropes; and made a considerable progress in Comenius's Janua; began himselfe to write legibly, and had a stronge passion for Greeke. The number of verses he could recite was prodigious, and what he rememb'red of the parts of playes, which he would also act; and when seeing a Playne in one's hand, he ask'd what booke it was, and being told it was comedy, and too difficult for him, he wept for sorrow. Strange

was his apt and ingenious application of fables and morals, for he had read *Aesop*; he had a wonderful disposition to mathematics, having by heart divers propositions of *Euclid* that were read to him in play, and he would make lines and demonstrate them. As to his piety, astonishing were his applications of Scripture upon occasion, and his sense of God; he had learn'd all his *Catechisme* early, and understood y^e historical part of y^e Bible and New Testament to a wonder, how Christ came to redeeme mankind, and how, comprehending these necessarys himselfe, his godfathers were discharg'd of their promise. These and the like illuminations far exceeding his age and experience, considering the prettinesse of his addresse and behaviour, cannot but leave impressions in me at the memory of him. When one told him how many dayes a Quaker had fasted, he replied that was no wonder, for Christ had said man should not live by bread alone, but by y^e Word of God. He would of himselfe select y^e most pathetic psalms, and chapters out of *Job*, to reade to his mayde during his sicknesse, telling her when she pittied him that all God's children must suffer affliction. He declaim'd against y^e vanities of y^e world before he had scene any. Often he would desire those who came to see him to pray by him, and a yeaire before he fell sick, to kneel and pray with him alone in some corner. How thankfully would he receive admonition, how soone be reconciled! how indifferent, yet continually chereful! He would give grave advice to his brother John, beare with his impertinencies, and say he was but a child. If he heard of or saw any new thing, he was unquiet till he was told how it was made; he brought to us all such difficulties as he found in books, to be expounded. He had learn'd by heart divers sentences in Latin and Greeke, which on occasion he would produce even to wonder. He was all life, all prettinesse, far from morose, sullen, or childish in any thing he said or did. The last time he had been at church (w^{ch} was at Greenewich), I ask'd him, according to costome, what he remembered of y^e sermon; two good things, saith he, *bonum gratiae* and *bonum gloriae*, with a just account of what y^e preacher said. The day before he died he cal'd to me, and in a more serious manner than usual told me that for all I loved him so dearely, I should give my house, land, and all my fine things, to his brother.

Jack, he should have none of them; and next morning, when he found himself ill, and that I persuaded him to keepe his hands in bed, he demanded whether he might pray to God with his hands un-joynd: and a little after, whilst in greate agonie, whether he should not offend God by using his holy name so often calling for ease. What shall I say of his frequent pathetical ejaculations utter'd of himselfe; Sweete Jesus save me, deliver me, pardon my sinns, let thine angels receive me! So early knowledge, so much piety and perfection! But thus God having dress'd up a Saint fit for himselfe, would not longer permit him with us, unworthy of y^e future fruities of this incomparable hopefull blossom. Such a child I never saw: for such a child I blesse God in whose bosome he is! May I and mine become as this little child, who now follows the child Jesus that Lamb of God in a white robe whithersoever he goes; Even so, Lord Jesus, *fiat voluntas tua!* Thou gavest him to us, Thou hast taken him from us, blessed be y^e name of y^e Lord! That I had any thing acceptable to Thee was from thy grace alone, since from me he had nothing but sin, but that Thou hast pardon'd! blessed be my God for ever, amen!

In my opinion he was suffocated by y^e women and maids that tended him, and cover'd him too hot with blankets as he lay in a cradle, near an excessive hot fire in a close roome. I suffer'd him to be open'd, when they found that he was what is vulgarly call'd liver-growne. I caused his body to be coffin'd in lead and reposit'd on the 30th at 8 o'clock that night in the church of Deptford accompanied with divers of my relations and neighbours; among whom I distributed rings with this motto, *Dominus abstulit;* intending, God willing, to have him transported with my owne body to be interr'd in our dormitory in Wotton church, in my dear native county Surrey, and to lay my bones and mingle my dust with my fathers, if God be gracious to me and make me as fit for Him as this blessed child was. The Lord Jesus sanctify this and all other my afflictions, Amen! *

* In the Prologue to his Translation of "The Golden Book of St. Chrysostom, concerning the Education of Children," he likewise gives a very interesting account of this amiable and promising child.

Here ends the joy of my life, and for which I go even mourning to the grave.

15 Feb. The afflicting hand of God being still upon us, it pleased Him also to take away from us this morning my youngest son, George, now 7 weekes languishing at nurse, breeding teeth, and ending in a dropsie. God's holy will be done! He was buried in Deptford church y^e 17th following.

25. Came Dr. Jeremy Taylor & my Brothers with other friends to visite and condole with us.

March 7. To London to hear Dr. Taylor in a private house on 13 Luke 23, 24. After the sermon followed the blessed Communion, of which I participated. In the afternoone Dr. Gunning at Excester House expounding part of the Creede.

This had ben y^e severest winter that any man alive had known in England. The crowes feete were frozen to their prey. Islands of ice inclos'd both fish and fowl frozen; and some persons in their boates.

15 May was a public Fast to avert an epidemical sicknessse, very mortal this spring.

20. I went to see a coach-race in Hide Park, and collation'd in Spring Garden.

23. Dr. Manton, the famous Presbyterian, preach'd at Covent Garde, on 6 Matthew 10. shewing what the kingdome of God was, how pray for it, &c.

There was now a collection for persecuted and sequester'd Ministers of the Church of England, whereof divers are in prison. A sad day! The Church now in dens and caves of the earth.

31. I went to visits my Lady Peterborow, whose sonne Mr. More daunt, prisoner in the Tower, was now on his trial; and acquittd but by one voice; but that holy martyr Dr. Hawke was condemn'd to die, without law, jury, or justice, but by a mock Council of State as they call'd it. A dangerous, treacherous time!

2 June. An extraordinary storm of hale and rain. So cold as winter, the wind Northerly neare 6 months.

3. A large whale was taken betwixt my hand turring me up to Greenwich, which drew an infinite concourse of people to see it.

long, broad, and on foote, from Taddon and all parts. It appear'd
to have bin at Greenwich at low water; for at high water it would have
swim'd all y^e boates, but lying now in shallow water incompass'd
with stones, after a long conflict it was kill'd with a harping iron,
struck on y^e head, out w^{ch} it spout'd blood and water by two tun-
nes, and after an horrid groane it run quite on shore and died. Its
length was 58 foot, heighth 16; black skin'd like coach leather, very
swallowe; greate tail, onely 2 small fins, a pick'd snout, and a
mouth so wide that divers men might have stood upright in it; no
teeth to speckle the shins; body as thro' a grate of that bone which
was made of bone; the throat yet so narrow as would not have ad-
mitted the least of fishes. The extreame of the cetaceous bones hang
downwards from the upper jaw, and was hairy towards the ends and
bottom within side; all of it prodigious, but in nothing more wonderfull
than that such a greate bulk should be nourished only by
stone thro' those grates.

¶ I went to see the Earl of Northumberland's pictures, whereof
that of "y^e Virgin Senhora" was one of the best of Titian's, and an
other of "y^e Virgin del Sorrow" in a *Madona*, *Christ*, *St. John*, and an
Old Woman. &c. &c. St. Catharine of Dr. Vinci, with divers portraits of
Men, &c. &c. A *Nativity* of Georgioni; the last of our blessed Kings
Henry the viiith; a *Crucifixion* of Knole by Kelly; a rosarie by y^e famous
Master of Doncaster, and severall more. This was in Suffolk House: the
old countess's y^e garden is wonderfull, were it not drown'd by a too
much rain, and full of stynes of stone, without any neate invention.

¶ Sir Thomas More's poucher and bely-man Dr. Hewer was martyr'd
in y^e Tower, and buried with his Master y^e 5, thro' the Lord Marques of
Dorset.

¶ I went to see the Royal Garden at Westmister, well stored
with divers flowers, and every skilfull botanist.

¶ I went to see the new houses Mr. Owen

¶ I went to see the new houses Mr. Hemingway, Mr. Dorell,

There is a

and Mr. Ashmole, founder of the learned depository of novelties, with
several copies of physick and virtuosity.

15. Came to see me my Lord Kilmarney & Lady, S^r Robert Needham,
M^r Caley, and two daughters of my Lord Willingdon of Burton,

3 August. Went to S^r John Evelyn at Godstone. The place is
excellent, but might be improved by turning some offices of the house,
and removing the garden. The house being a noble fabric, but not
comparable to what was first built by my uncle, who was master of all
y^e powder-mills.

5. We went to Squirries* to visit my cousin Leech, daughter to
Sir John; a pretty, finely wooded, and well water'd estate, the stable
good, the house old, but convenient. 6. Returned to Whiteman.

10. I din'd at Mr. Carew Raleigh's, at Faversham, son to the famous
Sir Walter.

14. We went to Durhams [at Epsom] to a challenged match of
bowls for 10*l*, which we won.

18. To S^r Ambrose Brown at Batchworth Castle, in that tem-
pestuous wind which threw downe my greatest trees at Savers Court,
and did so much mischeife all over England. It continued the whole
night and till 3 in the afternoon of the next day, in the South West,
and destroy'd all our winter fruit.

3 Sept. Died that arch-heretic Oliver Cromwell, call'd Peasant.

16. Was publish'd my Translation of St. Chrysostom's Exposition
of Children, which I dedicated to both my Brothers, to comfort them
on the loss of their children.

21. My Lord Berkley of Beccley Castle invited me to dinner.

26. Mr. King preach'd at Arundel on 15th August, 1658, which
would have disputed with him. In the evening he went to Lichfield
(since Bp. of Lichfield) at Chearsle, where he was interred and
buried.

27. To Bedington, that ancient town, now a village, in Shropshire,
but exceeding honest, simple, and quiet. The castle is
being now over-grown with bushes, and the tower
with a wooden shanty.

Lying low, & environ'd with good pastures. The pomegranads bear here. To the house is also added a fine park. Thence to Casshalton, exceedingly retired, and capable of being made a most delicious seate, being on the sweete downes, and a champion about it full planted with walnut and cherry-trees, which afford a considerable rent.

Riding over these downes and discoursing with the shepherds, I found that digging about y^e bottom neare Sir Christopher Buckle's*, neare Bansted, divers medallis have ben found, both copper and silver, with foundations of houses, urns, &c. Here indeede anciently stood a City of y^e Romans. See Antonine's Itinerary.

29. I return'd home after 10 weekes absence.

Oct. 2. I went to London to receive the H. Sacrament. On the 3^d D^r Wild preached in a private place on the I Isaiah 4. shewing the parallel betwixt the sins of Israel and those of England. In the afternoon Mr. Hall (sonn to Joseph Bp. of Norwich) ou I Cor. 6. 2. of the dignite of the Saints, a most excellent discourse.

4. I din'd with y^e Holland Ambassador at Derby House; returning, I was diverted to see a very white raven, bred in Cumberland; also a porcupine, of that kind that shoots its quills, of w^{ch} see Claudian; it was headed like a rat, the fore feete like a badger, the hind feete like a beare.

19. I was summoned to London by y^e Commissioners for new buildings; afterwards to y^e Commission of Sewers; but because there was no oath to be taken of fidelity to the Government as now constituted without a King, I got to be excus'd, and return'd home.

22. Saw y^e superb funerall of y^e Protector. He was carried from Somerset House in a velvet bed of state drawn by six horses, hous'd with plate; the pall held up by his new Lords; Oliver lying in effigie in royal robes, and crown'd with a crown, sceptre, and globe, like a king. The gromets and platoons were carried by y^e Officers of the Army; the heralds in their armements, &c. by y^e heralds in their coates; rich tapestry banners, embroide'red all over with gold; a knight of

* The road from Canterbury to the sea, through Canterbury, Deal, Dover, Folkestone, and Newhaven, passes through the valley of the River Stour, from Canterbury through Sussex, and so through the town of Lewes, and so through York. Considerable remains of a Roman building are still to be seen near Lewes, south of this house.

honour arm'd cap-a-pie, and after all, his guards, soldiers, and innumerable mourners. In this equipage they proceeded to Westminster: but it was the joyfullest funeral I ever saw, for there were none that cried but dogs, which the soldiers hooted away with a barbarous noise, drinking and taking tobacco in the streetes as they went. I returned not home till the 17th November.

I was summon'd againe to London by the Commissioners for new foundations to be erected within such a distance of London.

6 Dec. Now was publish'd my "French Gardener," the first and best of that kind that introduc'd y^e use of the Oltorie garden to any purpose.

23. I went with my wife to keep Christmas at my ex. Geo. Take's, at Cressing Temple in Essex. Lay that night at Brentwood.

25. Here was no publiq; service, but what wa privately us'd. I blessed God for his mercies the yeare past, and I Jan'y begged a continuance of them. Thus for three Sundays, by reason of the incom-bent's death, here was neither praying nor preaching, tho' there was a Chapell in the house.

1659. 17 Jan. Our old Vicar preach'd, taking leave of the parson in a pathetical speech, to go to a living in the City.

24 Mar. I went to London to speake to y^e patron Alderman Cutler about presenting a fit pastor for our destitute parish church.

5 April. Came y^e Earle of Northampton and the famous painter Mr. Wright * to visite me.

10 April. One Mr. Littler being now presented to y^e living of our parish, preach'd on 6 John 55, a sermon preparatory to the Holy Sacrament.

25. A wonderfull and suddaine change in y^e face of y^e publick, new Protector Richard slighted; several pretenders and usurpers arose for y^e government; all anarchy and confusion. Land was ploughed up.

5 May. I went to visite my brother in London, and there did see a new Opera †, after y^e Italian way, in recheinewe musick.

* Mr. Michael Wright, who painted the Justice of Ireland in 1655, and the Earl of Northampton in 1656. See a long account of him in "Walpole's Antiquities." His picture of the Earl of Northampton is in the British Museum.

† Probably Sir William Davenant's Opera, in which the scenes were represented by machinery, and the actions expressed by instrumental and vocal music, and by art of representation. See "Walpole's Antiquities," and "Biographia Dramatica."

much inferior to y^e Italian composure and magnificence; but it was prodigious that in a time of such publiq consternation such a vanity should be kept up or permitted. I being engag'd with company could not decently resist the going to see it, tho' my heart smote me for it.

7. Came y^e Ambass^t of Holland and his Lady to visite me, and staid the whole afternoone.

12. Retorn'd y^e visite, discoursing much of y^e revolutions, &c.

19 May. Came to dine with me my Lord Galloway and his son, a Scotch Lord and learned; also my Brother and his Lady, Lord Berkeley and his Lady, Mrs. Shirley, and y^e famous singer Mrs. Knight*, and other friendes.

23. I went to Rookwood†, and din'd with S^r W^m Hicks, where was a great feast and much company. 'Tis a melancholy old house, environ'd with trees and rooks.

26. Came to see me my Lord Geo: Berkeley, Sir Will. Dacy, and Sir George Pott's sonn of Norfolk.

29. The Nation was now in extreame confusion and unsetti'd, between the Armies and the Sectaries, the poor Church of England breathing as it were her last, so sad a face of things had overspread us.

7 June. To London, to take leave of my brother, and see y^e foundations now laying for a long streete and buildings in Hatton Garden, design'd for a little towne, lately an ample garden.

1 Sept. I communicated to Mr. Rob^t Boyle, son to y^e Earle of Cork, my proposal for erecting a philosophic mathematic College.

15. Came to see me Mr. Brereton, a very learned gentleman, son to my Lord Brereton, with his and divers other ladies. Also Henry Howard of Norfolk, since Duke of Norfolk.

* Mrs. CHURCHILL, the Second's mistress.

† This was a building in Essex, better known by the name of Rockholt, or Ruckholt, built by Mr. William Hicks, a member of the estate; but a new house was afterwards erected near the site of the former by the family of Hicks, of whom William was created a baronet in 1619. King Charles II was entertained here one day when he was hunting, and knighted William the son of the former owner. See Mr. H. H. Brinsford's History of Epping, vol. I. p. 24, printed 1768, speaks of the new house as still standing. It is a large, pulled down some years ago. Previous to this it had been a house of pleasure, called the "Rockholt" inn, at which visitors were regaled with tea and meat, which were sold at a high rate.

30. I went to visite S^r. W^m. Ducie and Col^r. Blount, where I met Sir Henry Blount y^e famous traveller and waterdrinker.

10. I came with my wife and family to London: tooke lodgings at y^e 3 Feathers in Russell Street, Covent Garden, for all the winter, my sonn being very unwell.

11 Oct. Came to visite me Mr. W^m. Coventry (since Secretary to the Duke) son to the Lord Keeper, a wise and witty gentleman.

The Armie now turn'd out the Parliam^t. We had now no Government in the Nation: all in confusion; no Magistrate either own'd or pretended but y^e Souldiers, and they not agreed. God Almighty have mercy on and settle us!

17. I visited Mr. Howard at Arundel house, who gave me a faire onyx set in gold, and shew'd me his designe of a Palace there.

21. A private Fast was kept by the Church of England Protestants in towne, to beg of God the removal of His judgments, with devout prayers for His mercy to our calamitous Church.

7 Nov. Was publish'd my bold *Apologie* for the King in this time of danger, when it was capital to speake or write in favour of him. It was twice printed, so universaly it took.

9. We observ'd our solemn Fast for y^e calamity of our Church.

12. I went to see the severall drougs for the confection of Treacle, Diocordium, and other Electuaries, which an ingenious Apothecarie had not onely prepared and rang'd on a large and very long table; but cover'd every ingredient with a sheete of paper, on which was very lively painted y^e thing in miniature, well to the life; were it plant, flowre, animal, or other exotic droug.

15 Nov. Din'd with y^e Dutch Ambass^t. He did in a manner acknowledge, that his Nation mind only their own profit, do making out of gratitude, but collaterally as it relates to their gains or losses; and therefore the English were to look for nothing of assistance to the banish'd King. This was to me no very grateful discourse, tho' I made a laudable confession.

18. Mr. Gunning celebrated y^e winter Fast, and presented to me Phil. 12. 13.—Nov. 24. Sir John Evelyn (of Chatsworth) invited me to the 41st wedding-day feast, where was much company of persons.

26. I was introduced into the acquaintances of divers learned and worthy persons, Sir John Marsham, Mr. Dugdale, Mr. Stanley, and others.

9 Decr. I supp'd with Mr. Gunning, it being our Fast-day, Dr. Pearne, Mr. Thriseo, Mr. Chamberlain, Dr. Henchman, Dr. Wild *, and other devout and learned Divines, firm Confessors and excellent persons. Note: Most of them since made Bishops.

10. I treated privately with Col. Morley †, then Lieutenant of the Tower, and in greate trust and power, concerning delivering it to y^e King and the bringing of him in; to the greate hazard of my life, but y^e Coll. had ben my scholefellow, and I knew would not betray me.

12. I spent in publiq concerns for his Majesty, pursuing the point to bring over Coll. Morley, and his brother-in-law Fay, Governor of Portsmouth.

18. Preached y^e famous divine Dr. Sanderson (since Bp. of Lin.) now 80 years old, on 30 Jer. 13. concerning the evil of forsaking God.

29. Came my Lord Count Arundel of Wardour to visite me. I went also to see my Lord Vise Montague.

31. Settling my domestic affaires in order, blessed God for his infinite mercies and preservations the past year.

ANNUS MIRABILIS 1660. Jan. 1. Begging God's blessings for the following yeare, I went to Excester Chapell, when Mr. Gunning began the yeare on 4 Galatians v. 3 to 7, shewing the love of Christ in shedding his blood so early for us.

12. Wrote to Col. Morley againe to declare for his Majesty.

22. I went this afternoone to visit Coll. Morley. After dinner I discours'd with him, but he was very jealous, and would not believe Monk comin to do the King any service; I told him he might do it without him, and have all the honour. He was still doubtfull, and would resolve on nothing yet, so I tooke leave †.

* See p. 233. He was of St. John's College, Oxford, Chaplin to Abp. Laud, Vicar of St. Giles, London, according to the King he preach'd before the Parl. at Oxford. After the Restoration he was made Chaplin to Charles II. He did keepe up a religious meeting for the Royalists in Fleet Street. Evelyn's Advertisements II. p. 281.

† See a detailed account of Mr. Evelyn's communications with Col. Morley, in the Illustrations at the end of the Volume, No. II.

3 Feb. Kept y^r Post. Generall Monk came now to London out of Scotland; but no man knew what he would do, or desirr'd; yet he was met on all his way by the Gentlemen of all the Countys which he pass'd, with petitions that he would recall the old, long interrupted Parliament and settle the nation in some order, being at this time in most prodigious confusion and under no government, every body expeeting what would be next and what he would do.

10. Now were the Gates of the City broken down by Gen^r Monk, which exceedingly exasperated the City, the soldiery marching up and down at triumphing over it, and all the old army of the parliament put out of their posts, and sent out of townes.

11. A signal day. Monk perceiving how infamous and wretched a pack of knaves would have still usurped the supreme power, and having intelligence that they intended to take away his commission, repenting of what he had don to y^r City, and where he and his forces quartered, marches to White-hall, dissipaates that nest of robbers, and convenes the old Parliament, the Rump Parliament (so calld) as retaining some few rotten members of y^r other, being dissolv'd; and for joy whereoff were many thousand of rumps roasted publicly in y^r streetes at the bonfires this night*, with ringing of bells, and universal jubilee. This was the first good omen.

From 17 Feb. to 5 April I was detain'd in bed with a kind of double tertian, the cruel effects of the spleene and other distempers, in that extremity that my physicians, Drs. Wetherborn, Needham, and Claude, were in great doubt of my recovery, but it pleased God to deliver me out of this affliction, for which I render him thankes, going to Church the 8th and recouering the blessed Sabbath.

During this sickness came severall of my relations, and friends to visit me, and to remembred my going into the world, and what I intended; however I wnt and primit^r letter, and told them I had

* Pamphile with due representation of the present state of England.

The title of it is "The present State of England, which gave occasion for it are given in the Sommers Collection of Tracts," vol. 40, p. 10.

against a wicked forg'd paper, pretended to be sent from Bruxellis to defame his Majesties person and vertues, and render him odious, now when every body was in hope and expectation of the General and Parliament recalling him, and establishing y^e Government on its antient and right basis. The doing this towards the decline of my sicknesse, and setting up long in my bed, had caus'd a small relapse, out of which it yet pleas'd God also to free me, so as by the 14th I was able to go into y^e country, which I did to my sweete and native aire at Wotton.

3 May. Came the most happy tidings of his Majesty's gracious declaration and applications to the Parliament, Generall, and People, and their dutifull acceptance and acknowledgiment, after a most bloudy and unreasonable rebellion of neere 20 yeares. Praised be for ever the Lord of Heaven, who onely doeth wondrous things, because His mercy endureth for ever !

8. This day was his Majestie proclaim'd in London, &c.

9 May. I was desir'd, and design'd to accompany my Lord Berkeley with the publick Addresse of the Parliament, Generall, &c. to the King, and invite him to come over and assume his Kingly Government, he being now at Breda; but I was yet so weake I could not make that journey by sea, which was not a little to my detriment, so I went to London to excuse myselfe, returning the 10th, having yet receiv'd a gracious message from his Majestie by Major Scot and Coll. Tuke.

24. Came to me Col. Morley, about procuring his pardon, now too late seeing his error and neglect of the counsel I gave him, by which if he had taken it he had certainly done y^e great work with y^e same ease that Monk did it, who was then in Scotland, and Morley in a post to have done what he pleas'd, but his jealousie and feare kept him from that blessing and honor. I address'd him to Lord Mordaunt, then in greate favour, for his pardon, w^{ch} he obtain'd at the cost of 1000*l.* as I heard. O y^e sottish omission of this gentleman ! what did I not undergo of danger in this negotiation, to have brought him over to his Majesty's interest, when it was intirely in his hands !

29. This day his Majestie Charles the Second came to London, after a sad and long exile and calamitous suffering both of the King and Church, being 17 yeares. This was also his birth-day, and with a

triumph of above 20,000 horse and foote, brandishing their swords and shouting with inexpressible joy; the wayes strew'd with flowers, the bells ringing, the streetes hung with tapissry, fountaines running with wine; the Maior, Aldermen, and all the Companies in their liveries, chaines of gold, and banners; Lords and Nobles clad in cloth of silver, gold, and velvet; the windowes and balconies all set with ladies; trumpets, music, and myriads of people flocking, even so far as from Rochester, so as they were seven houres in passing the Citty, even from 2 in y^e afternoone till 9 at night.

I stood in the Strand and beheld it, and bless'd God. And all this was don without one drop of bloud shed, and by that very army which rebell'd against him; but it was y^e Lord's doing, for such a Restaura-tion was never mention'd in any history antient or modern, since the returne of the Jews from the Babylonish captivity; nor so joyfull a day and so bright ever seene in this Nation, this hapning when to expect or effect it was past all human policy.

4 June. I receiv'd letters of Sir Rich^d. Browne's landing at Dover, and also letters from the Queene, which I was to deliver at White-hall, not as yet presenting myselfe to his Majesty by reason of the infinite concourse of people. The eagerness of men, women, and children to see his Majesty and kisse his hands was so greate, that he had scarce leisure to eate for some dayes, coming as they did from all parts of the Nation; and the King being as willing to give them that satisfaction, would have none kept out, but gave free accesse to all sorts of people.

Addressing myselfe to the Duke, I was carried to his Majestie when very few noblemen were with him, and kiss'd his hands, being very graciously receiv'd. I then return'd home to meeete Sir Rich^d. Browne, who came not till the 8th, after a 19 years exile, during all which time he kept up in his chapell the Liturgie and Offices of the Church of England, to his no small honour, and in a time when it was so low, and as many thought utterly lost, that in various controversies both with Papists and Sectaries our Divines us'd to argue for the visibility of the Church, from his chapell and congregation.

I was all this week too and fro at Court about businesse.

16. The French, Italian, and Dutch Ministers came to make their

addresse to his Majesty, one Mons^t. Stoope pronouncing the harangue with greate eloquence.

18. I propos'd y^e Ambassy of Constantinople for Mr. Henshaw, but my Lord Winchelsea struck in*.

Goods that had ben pillag'd from White-hall during y^r Rebellion were now daily brought in and restor'd upon proclamation; as plate, hangings, pictures, &c.

21. The Warwickshire gentlemen (as did all the shires and chif townes in all the three Nations) presented their congratulatory Addresse. It was carried by my Lord Northampton.

30. The Sussex gentlemen presented their Addresse, to which was my hand. I went with it and kiss'd his Ma^{tie}s hand, who was pleas'd to own me more particularly by calling me his old acquaintance, and speaking very graciously to me.

3 July. I went to Hide-park, where was his Ma^{tie} and abundance of gallantrie.

4. I heard Sir Sam. Tuke harangue to the House of Lords in behalfe of y^r Roman Catholics, and his account of the transaction at Colchester in murdering Lord Capel, and the rest of those brave men that suffer'd in cold blood, after articles of rendition.

5. I saw his Ma^{tie} go with as much pompe and splendour as any earthly Prince could do to the greate Citty feast, the first they had invited him to since his returne, but the exceeding raine which fell all that day much eclips'd its lustres. This was at Guild-hall, and there was also all y^e Parliament men, both Lords and Commons. The streetes were adorn'd with pageants at immense cost.

6. His Majestie began first to *touch for y^r evil*, according to custome, thus: his Ma^{tie} sitting under his State in y^r Banqueting House, the Chirurgeons cause the sick to be brought or led up to the throne, where they kneeling, y^e King strokes their faces or cheeke with both his hands at once, at which instant a Chaplaine in his formalities says,

* It was on his return from this embassy that his Lordship visiting Sicily was an eye-witness of the dreadful eruption of Mount Aetna in 1669, a short account of which was afterwards published in a small pamphlet, with a cut by Hollar of the Mountain, &c.

"He put his hands upon them and he healed them." This is sayd to every one in particular. When they have ben all touch'd they come up againe in the same order, and the other Chaplaine kueeling, and having Angel gold* strung on white ribbon on his arme, delivers them one by one to his Ma^{re}, who puts them about the necks of the touched as they passe, whilst the first Chaplaine repeate; "That is a true light who came into y^e world." Then followes an Epistle (as at first a Gospell) with the Liturgy, prayers for the sick, with some Alteration, lastly y^e blessing; and then the Lo. Chamberlaine and Comptroller of the Household bring a basin, ewer and towell, for his Ma^{re} to wash.

The King receiv'd a congratulatory addresse from the City of Cologne in Germany, where he had ben some tyme in his exile; his Ma^{re} saying they were the best people in y^e world, the most kind and worthy to him that he ever met with.

I recommended Mons' Messeroy to be Judge Advocate in Jersey, by the Vice-Chamberlain's mediation with the Earle of St. Alban's; and saluted my excellent and worthy noble friend my Lord Ossory, sonn to the Marquess of Ormond, after many yeares absence returned home.

8. Mr. Henchman preached on 5 Ephes. 5, concerning Christian circumspection. From henceforth was the Liturgie publickely used in our Churches, whence it had ben for so many yeares banished.

15. Came Sir Geo. Carterett and Lady to visite us: he was now Treasurer of the Navy.

28. I heard his Ma^{re} Speech in the Lords House, on passing the Bills of Tonnage and Poundage; restoration of my Lord Ormond to his estate in Ireland; concerning the Commission of Sewers, and continuance of the Excise.—In the afternoone I saluted my old friend the Archbishop of Armagh, formerly of Londonderry (Dr. Bramhall). He presented several Irish Divines to be promoted as Bishops in that kingdom, most of the Bishops in the 3 kingdoms being now almost worne out, and the Sees vacant.

31. I went to visite S^r Philip Warwick, now Secretary to the L^d Treasurer, at his house in North Cray.

* Pieces of money so called from having the figure of an angel on them.

Aug. 19. Our Vicar read the 39 Articles to the Congregation, the National Assemblies beginning now to settle, and wanting instruction.

23. Came Duke Hamilton, Lord Lothian, and several Scottish Lords, to see my garden.

25. Coll. Spencer, Collonel of a Regiment of Horse in our County of Kent, sent to me and intreated that I would take a Commission for a Troope of Horse, and that I would nominate my Lieutenant and Ensigns; I thank'd him the honour intended me, but would by no means undertake y^e trouble.

4 Sept. I was invited to an Ordination by y^e Bishop of Bangor in Henry 7ths Chapell, Westm^t, and afterwards saw the audience of an Envoyée from the D. of Anjou, sent to compliment his Ma^r return.

5. Came to visit and dine with me y^e Envoyée of y^e King of Poland and Resident of y^e King of Denmark, &c.

7. I went to Chelsey, to visite Mr. Boyle, and see his pneumatic engine performe divers experiments. Thence to Kensington, to visite Mr. Henshaw, returning home y^e evening.

13. I saw in Southwark at St. Margaret's Faire, monkies and apes daunce and do other feates of activity on y^e high rope; they were gallantly clad à la mode, went upright, saluted the company, bowing and pulling off their hatts; they saluted one another with as good a grace as if instructed by a dauncing-master; they turn'd heels over head with a basket having eggs in it, without breaking any; also with lighted candles in their hands and on their heads without extinguishing them, and with vessels of water without spilling a drop. I also saw an Italian wench daunce and performe all the tricks on y^e high rope to admiration; all the Court went to see her. Likewise here was a man who tooke up a piece of iron cannon of about 400 lb. weight with the baire of his head onely.

17 Sept. I went to London to see y^e splendid entry of y^e Prince de Ligne, Ambass^t extraordinary from Spaine: he was Generall of y^e Spanish King's horse in Flanders, and was accompanied wth divers greate persons from thence, and an innuerable retinue. His train consisted of 17 coaches with 6 horses of his owne, besides a greate number of English, &c. Greater bravery had I never scene. He was

receiv'd in the Banqueting House in exceeding state, all y^e greate Officers of Court attending.

13. In the midst of all this joy and jubilee the Duke of Gloucester died of y^e small pox in the prime of youth, and a prince of extraordinary hopes.

27. The King receiv'd the Merchants Addresses in his closet, giving them assurance of his persisting to keepe Jamaica, choosing S^r Edw. Massy Governor. In the afternoone the Danish Amb^r condolencies were presented, on the death of the D. of Gloucester. This evening I saw the Princesse Royal, mother to y^e Pr. of Orange, now come out of Holland in a fatal period.

6 Oct. I paid the greate Tax of Poll Money levied for disbanding the Army, till now kept up. I paid as an Esquire £10, and one shilling for every servant in my house.

7 Oct. There din'd with me a French Count, with S^r George Tuke, who came to take leave of me, being sent over to the Queene Mother to breake the marriage of the Duke with the daughter of Chancell^r Hide. The Queene would fain have undon it, but it seemes matters were reconcil'd on greate offers of the Chancellor's to befriend y^e Queene, who was much in debt, and was now to have the settlement of her affaires go through his hands.

11 Oct. The Regicides who sat on the life of our late King, were brought to tyal in the Old Bailey, before a Commission of Oyer and Terminer.

14. Axtall, Carew, Clements, Hacker, Hewson, and Peters, were executed.

17. Scot, Scroope, Cook, and Jones, suffered for reward of their iniquities at Charing Crosse, in sight of the place where they put to death their natural Prince, and in the presence of the King his sonn whom they also sought to kill. I saw not their execution, but met their quarters mangl'd and cutt and reeking as they were brought from the gallows in baskets on the hurdle. Oh the miraculous providence of God!

28. His Majesty went to meet y^e Queene Mother,

29. Going to London, my Lord Major's show stopped me in

Cheapside; one of y^e pageants represented a greate Wood, with y^e Royal Oake and historie of his Majesty's miraculous escape at Boscobel.

Oct. 31. Arived now to my Fortieth year, I rendered to Almighty God my due and hearty thanks.

Nov. 1. I went with some of my relations to Court, to shew them his Ma^{ies} cabinet and closset of rarities; the rare miniatures of Peter Oliver after Raphael, Titian, and other masters, which I infinitely esteeme; also that large piece of y^e Dutchesse of Lennox don in enamaile by Petitot, and a vast number of achates, onyxes and intaglios, especially a medalion of Cæsar, as broad as my hand; likewise rare cabinets of Pietra Commessa; a landscape of needlework, formerly presented by the Dutch to King Cha. I. Here I saw a vast book of mappes in a volume neere 4 yards large; a curious ship modell; and amongst the clocks, one that shew'd the rising and setting of the Sun in y^e Zodiaq, the Sunn represented by a face and rales of gold, upon an 'azure skie, observing y^e diurnal and annual motion, rising and setting behind a landscape of hills, the work of our famous Fromantel; and severall other rarities.

3. Ariv'd the Queene Mother in England, whence she had ben banish'd almost 20 yeares; together with her illustrious daughter the Princesse Henrietta, divers Princes and Noblemen accompanying them.

15. I kiss'd the Queene Mother's hand.

20. I din'd at y^e Clerk Comptroler's of the Greene Cloth, being the first day of y^e re-establishment of the Court Diet and settling of his Majesty's Household.

23. Being this day in y^e Bedchamber of y^e Princess Henrietta, where were many greate beauties and noblemen, I saluted divers of my old friends and acquaintances abroad; his Majesty carrying my wife to salute the Queene and Princesse, and then led her into his closet, and with his owne hands shew'd her divers curiosities.

25. Dr. Rainbow preach'd before y^e King, on 2 Luke 14. of the glory to be given God for all his mercies, especialy for restoring the Church and government; now y^e service was perform'd with musiq, voices, &c. as formerly.

27. Came downth y^e Cleark Comptroler [of y^e Green Cloth] by the Lord Steward's appointment, to survey y^e land at Says Court, on which I had pretence, and to make his report*.

Dee. 6. I waited on my brother and sister Evelyn to Court. Now were presented to his Majestie those two rare pieces of Drolery, or rather a *Dutch Kitchin*, painted by Dowe so finely as hardly to be distinguish'd from enamail. I was also shew'd divers rich jewells and chrystal vases; the rare *head of Jo. Belino*, Titian's master; *Christ in y^e Garden*, by Hannibal Caracci; two incomparable heads by Holbein; the *Queene Mother* in a miniature, almost as big as the life; an exquisite piece of carving, 2 unicorns' hornes, &c. This in y^e Closset.

13. I presented my son John to the Queene Mother, who kissed him, talked with and made extraordinary much of him.

14. I visited my Lady Chancellor, the Marchionesse of Ormond, and Countesse of Guildford, all of whom we had knowne abroad in exile.

18. I carried Mr. Spellman, a most ingenious gentleman, grandchild to the learned Sir Henry, to my Lord Mordaunt, to whom I had recommended him as Secretary.

22. The marriage of y^e Chancellor's daughter being now newly owned, I went to see her, she being Sir Rich^d Browne's intimate acquaintance when she waited on the Princesse of Orange; she was now at her father's at Worcester House in the Strand. We all kiss'd her hand, as did also my Lord Chamberlain (Munchester) and Countesse of Northumberland. This was a strange change—can it succeed well!—I spent the evening at St. James's, whither the Princesse Henrietta was retir'd during the fatal sicknesses of her sister the Princesse of Orange, now come over to salute y^e King her brother. The Princesse gave my wife an extraordinary compliment and gracious accept-

* The King's Household used to be supplied with meat and cattle from the Bishop's Collation, and oxen being sent up, pasture grounds of the King's household were allotted to them; moreover, these were lands at Deptford and Tottenham Court, where were under the jurisdiction of the Lord Steward and Board of Green Cloth. Sir Richard Browne had the government of these lands at Deptford.

ance, for the "Character" she had presented her the day before, and which was afterwards printed.

21. This day died the Princesse of Orange, of y^e small pox, w^h wholy alter'd y^e face and gallantry of the whole Court.

25. Preached at the Abbey Dr. Earle, Cleark of his Mat^{ie}: Closet and my deare friend, now Deane of Westminster, on 2 Luke 13. 14. condoling the breache made in the publiq joy by the lamented death of y^e Princesse.

* 30. I din'd at Court with Mr. Crane, Cleark of y^e Greene Cloth

31. I gave God thankes for his many signal mercies to my selfe, Church and Nation, this wonderfull yeare.

1661. 2 Jan. The Queene Mother, with y^e Princesse Henrietta, began her journey to Portsmouth, in order to her returne into France.

5. I visited my Lord Chancellor Clarendon, w^h whom I had ben well acquainted abroad.

6. Dr. Allestree preach'd at y^e Abby, after which 4 Bishops were consecrated, Hereford, Norwich

This night was suppress'd a bloody insurrection of some *Fifth-Mony enthusiasts*. Some of them were examin'd at the Council the next day, but could say nothing to extenuate their madnesse and unwarrantable zeale.

I was now chosen (and nominated by his Majestic for one of y^e Council) by suffrage of the rest of y^e Members, a Fellow of y^e Philosophic Society now meeting at Gressham College, where was an assembly of divers learned gentlemen. This being the first meeting since the King's return; but it had ben begun some yeares before at Oxford, and was continued with interruption here in London during the Rebellion.

There was another rising of y^e Phanatics, in which some were slaine.

16. I went to y^e Philosophic Club, where was examin'd y^e Torri-cellian experiment. I presented my Circle of Mechanical Trades, and had recommended to me y^e publishing what I had written of Chalco-graphy.

26. After divers yeares since I had seen any play, I went to see acted "The Scornful Lady," at a new Theater in Lincoln's Inn Fields.

30. Was the first solemn fast and day of humiliation to deplore ye sinns which so long had provok'd God against this afflicted church and people, order'd by Parliament to be annually celebrated to expiate the guilt of ye execrable murder of the late King.

This day (O the stupendious and inscrutable judgments of God!) were the carcasses of those arch rebels Cromwell, Bradshaw the Judge who condemn'd his Majestie, and Ireton, sonn-in-law to ye Usurper, dragg'd out of their superb tombs in Westminster among the Kings, to Tyburne, and hang'd on the gallows there from 9 in ye morning till 6 at night, and then buried under that fatal and ignominious monument in a deepe pitt ; thousands of people who had seene them in all their pride being spectators. Looke back at Nov. 22, 1658 *, [Oliver's funeral,] and be astonish'd ! and feare God and honor ye King ; but meddle not with them who are given to change !

6 Feb. To London to our Society, where I gave notice of ye visit of ye Danish Ambassador Extraordinary, and was ordered to return him their acceptance of that honour, and to invite him the next meeting day.

10. Dr. Baldero preach'd at Ely House, on 6 Matthew v. 33, of seeking early the kingdome of God ; after sermon ye Bishop (Dr. Wren) gave us the blessing very pontifically.

13 Feb. I conducted the Danish Ambassador to our meeting at Gresham College, where were shew'd him divers experiments in *vacuo*, and other curiosities.

21. Prince Rupert first shewed me how to grave in Mezzo Tinto.

26. I went to Lord Mordaunt's at Parson's Green †.

27. Ash Wednesday. Preached before the King ye Bishop of London (Dr. Sheldon) on 18 Matt. 25, concerning charity & forgivenease.

8 March. I went to my Lord Chancellor's, and deliver'd to him ye state of my concerneinent at Says Court.

* P. 315.

† This house remained in the family till 17... when the last of Mordaunts sold it to Mr. Heaviside, who, a few years after sold it to Mr. Merrick, an army officer, who pullld down the old house, and built the new one, now standing there (1816).

9. I went with that excellent person and philosopher S^r Robt Murray, to visit Mr. Boyle at Chelsey, and saw divers effects of the Eolipile for weighing aire.

13. I went to Lambeth with S^r R. Browne's pretence to y^e Wardenship of Merton Coll. Oxford, to which, as having ben about 40 years before a student of that house, he was elected by the votes of every Fellow except one; but y^e Statutes of y^e house being so that unlesse every Fellow agree, y^e election devolves to y^e Visitor, who is y^e Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Juxon), his Grace gave his nomination to Sir T. Clayton, resident there and the Physick Professor; for which I was not at all displeas'd, because, tho' Sir Rich^d miss'd it by much ingratitude and wrong of y^e Archbishop (Clayton being no Fellow), yet it would have hinder'd Sir Rich^d from attending at Court to settle his greater concernes, and so have prejudic'd me, tho' he was much inclin'd to have pass'd his time in a collegiate life, very unfit for him at that time, for many reasons. So I tooke leave of his Grace, who was formerly L^d Treasurer in the reigne of Charles I.

This afternoone Prince Rupert shew'd me with his owne hands y^e new way of graving call'd *Mezzo Tinto*, which afterwards by his permission I publish'd in my History of Chalcography: this set so many artists on worke, that they soone ariv'd to y^t perfection it is since come, emulating the tenderest miniatures.

Our Society now gave in my relation of y^e Pic of Teneriffe in the Create Canaries, to be added to more queries concerning divers natural things reported of that Island.

I return'd home with my cousin Tuke, now going for France, as sent by his Ma^r, to condole the death of that greate minister and politician Card^r. Mazarine.

29. Dr. Heylin (author of y^e Geography) preach'd at y^e Abby, on 5 Cant. 25. concerning Friendship & Charitie; he was, I think, at this time quite darke, and so had ben for some yeares.

31. This night his Ma^r promis'd to make my wife Lady of the Jewels (a very honourable charge) to the future Queene, (but which he never perform'd).

1 April. I din'd with that great mathematician and virtuoso Mons. Zulichem *, inventor of y^e pendule clock, and discoverer of the phænomenon of Saturn's annulus ; he was elected into our Society.

19. To London, and saw y^e bathing and rest of y^e ceremonies of the Knights of y^e Bath, preparatory to y^e Coronation ; it was in y^e Painted Chamber, Westm'. I might have receiv'd this honour, but declined it. The rest of y^e ceremonie was in the Chapell at White-hall, when their swords being laid on y^e altar, the Bishop deliver'd them.

22. Was y^e splendid cavalcade of his Ma^{re} from y^e Tower of London to White-hall, when I saw him in the Banqueting House create 6 Earls, and as many Barons, *viz.*

Edward Lord Hide †, Lord Chancellor, Earle of Clarendon ; supported by y^e Earles of Northumberland and Sussex ; y^e Earle of Bedford carried the cap and coronet, the Earle of Warwick the sword, the Earle of Newport the mantle.

Next, was Capel, created Earle of Essex ;

Brudenell, - - - Cardigan ;

Valentia, - - - Anglesea ;

Grenvill, - - - Bath ; and

Howard, Earle of Carlisle.

The Barons were : Denzill Holles ; Cornwallis ; Booth ; Townsend ; Cooper ; Crew ; who were all led up by severall Peers, with Garter and Officers of Armes before them ; when, after obedience on their severall approches to y^e Throne, their patents were presented by Garter King at Armes, which being receiv'd by y^e Lord Chamberlaine and deliver'd to his Majesty, and by him to the Secretary of State, were read and then

* See hereafter, under 1664, July.

† In 1656 or 1657, attempts were made to remove the Chancellor (Hylde), by accusations of betraying his Majesty's Councils, and holding correspondence with Cromwell. But these allegations were so trivial and frivolous, that they manifestly appeared to be nothing but the effects of malice against him, and therefore produced the contrary effects to those which were intended, and strengthened the King's kindness to him ; as giving him just excuse to believe, that these suggestions against him proceeded all from one and the same person, namely, from the minister which some people had to enter in his room into the fire-trust of the Ministry, and to inform them, if ever they could remove him from his station. *Lives of King James II.* (See also *the History of King Charles II.* vol. I. p. 274.)

againe deliver'd to his Ma^{tie}, and by him to the severall Lords created; they were then rob'd, their coronets and collars put on by his Ma^{tie}, and they were plac'd in rank on both sides the State and Throne, but the Barons put off their caps and circles and held them in their hands, the Earles keeping on their coronets as cousins to the King.

I spent the rest of y^e evening in seeing the severall archi-triumphals built in y^e streetes at severall eminent places thro' which his Majesty was next day to passe, some of which, tho' temporary, and to stand but one yeare, were of good invention and architecture, with inscriptions.

23. Was the Coronation of his Majesty Charles the Second in y^e Abby Church of Westminster; at all which ceremonie I was present. The King and all his Nobility went to y^e Tower, I accompanying my Lord Viscount Mordaunt part of the way; this was on Sunday the 22d, but indeede his Ma^{tie} went not til early this morning, and proceeded from thence to Westm^t in this order*:

First went the Duke of York's Horse Guards. Messengers of y^e Chamber. 136 Esqr^r to y^e Knights of the Bath, each of whom had two, most richly habited. The Knight Harbinger. Serjeant Porter. Sewers of the Chamber. Quarter Waiters. Six Clearks of Chancery. Clearke of the Signet. Clearke of the Privy Seale. Clearks of the Council, of the Parliament, and of the Crowne. Chaplaines in ordinary having dignities 10. Kings Advocats and Remembrancer. Council at Law. M^r of the Chancery. Puisne Serjeants. Kings Attorney and Solicitor. Kings eldest Serjeant. Secretaries of the French and Latine tongue. Gent. Ushers, Daily Waiters, Sewers, Carvers, and Cupbearers in ordinary. Esquires of the Body 4. Masters of standing offices being no Councillors, viz. of y^e Tents, Revels, Ceremonies, Armorie, Wardrobe, Ordnance, Requests. Chamberlaine of the Exchequer. Barons of the Exchequer. Judges. Lord Chiefe Baron. Lord C. Justice of the Common Pleas. Master of the Rolls. Lord C. Justice of England. Trumpets. Gentlemen of the Privy Chamber. Knights of the Bath, 68, in crimson robes exceeding rich and the noblest

* There is a full account of this Ceremony, with fine Sculptures, in a folio volume, published by John Ogilby 1661.

shew of y^e whole cavalcade, his Ma^{re} excepted. Kn^t. Marshall. Treas^r of the Chamber. M^r of the Jewells. Lords of the Privy Council. Comptroller of the Household. Treasurer of the Household. Trumpets. Serjeant Trumpet. Two Pursuivants at Armes. Barons. Two Pursuivants at Armes. Viscounts. Two Heralds. Earles. Lord Chamberlaine of the Household. Two Heraldis. Marquisses. Dukes. Heralds Clarencieux and Norroy. Lord Chancellor. Lord High Steward of England. Two persons representing y^e Dukes of Normandy and Aquitain, viz. Sir Rich^d Fanshawe and S^r Herbert Price, in fantastiq habits of the time. Gentlemen Ushers. Garter. Lord Maior of London. The Duke of York alone (y^e rest by two's.) Lord High Constable of England. Lord Great Chamberlaine of England. The Sword borne by y^e Earle Marshal of England. The KING in royal robes and equipage. Afterwards follow'd Equerries, Footemen, Gent. Pensioners. Master of the Horse leading a horse richly caparison'd. Vice Chamberlaine. Captain of the Pensioners. Captain of the Guard. The Guard. The Horse Guard. The Troope of Volunteers, with many other Officers and Gentlemen.

This magnificent traine on horseback, as rich as embroidery, velvet, cloth of gold and silver, and jewells, could make them and their prancing horses, proceeded thro' the streetes strew'd with flowers, houses hung with rich tapessry, windoes and balconies full of ladies; the London Militia lining the ways, and the severall Companies with their banners and loud musiq rank'd in their orders; the fountaines running wine, bells ringing, with speeches made at the severall triumphal arches; at that of the Tempie Barr (neere which I stood) y^e Lord Maior was receiv'd by the Bayliff of Westminster, who in a scarlet robe made a speech. Thence with joyful acclamations his Ma^{re} passed to Whitehall. Bonfires at night.

The next day, being St. George's, he went by water to Westm^r Abby. When his Ma^{re} was enter'd, the Deane and Prebendarie brought all the regalia, and deliver'd them to severall Noblemen or bairns before the King, who met them at the West doore of y^e Church ringing an an- them, to y^e Quire. They came the Peers in their armes and armours in their hands, til his Ma^{re} was plac'd in a throne eleveted before y^e

altar. Then the Bishop of London (y^e Archbishop of Canterbury being sick) went to every side of y^e throne to present the King to the People, asking if they would have him for their King, and do him homage; at this they shouted 4 times *God save King Charles the Second!* Then an anthem was sung. Then his Mat^{es} attended by 3 Bishops went up to the altar, and he offer'd a pall and a pound of gold. Afterwards he sate downe in another chaire during y^e sermon, which was preach'd by Dr. Morley then Bishop of Worcester. After sermon, the King tooke his oath before the altar to maintain the Religion, Magna Charta, and Laws of the Land. The hymn *Veni S. Sp.* follow'd, and then the Litany by 2 Bishops. Then the Archbishop of Canterbury, present but much indispos'd and weake, said, *Lift up your hearts;* at which the King rose up and put off his robes and upper garments, and was in a waistcoate so opened in divers places that y^e Archb'^p might commodiously anoint him, first in the palmes of his hands, when an anthem was sung and a prayer read; then his breast and twixt the shoulders, bending of both armes, and lastly on the crowne of y^e head, with apposite hymns and prayers at each anoynting; this don, the Deane clos'd and button'd up y^e waistcoate. Then was a coyse put on, and y^e cobrium, syndon or dalmatic, and over this a supertunic of cloth of gold, with buskins and sandals of y^e same, spurrs, and the sword, a prayer being first said over it by the Archbishop on y^e altar before twas girt on by the Lord Chamberlaine. Then the armill, mantle, &c. Then the Archbishop plac'd the crowne imperial on the altar, pray'd over it, and set it on his Mat^{es} head, at which all y^e Peers put on their coronets. Anthems and rare musiq, with lutes, viols, trumpets, organs, and voices, were then heard, and the Archbishop put a ring on his Mat^{es} finger. The King next offer'd his sword on the altar, which being redeemed was drawn and borne before him. Then y^e Archbishop deliver'd him y^e sceptre with the dove in one hand, and in the other the sceptre with the globe. Then y^e King kneeling, y^e Archbishop pronounc'd the blessing. The King then ascending againe his Royal Throne, whilst *Te Deum* was singing, all the Peeres did their homage, by every one touching his crowne. The Archbishop and rest of the Bishops first kissing the King; who receiv'd y^e holy sacrament, and so disrob'd, yet with the crowne impe-

rial on his head, and accompanied with all the Nobility in the former order, he went on boote upon blew cloth which was spread and reach'd from y^e West dore of y^e Abby to Westm^r stayres, when he tooke water in a triumphal barge to Whitehall, where was extraordinary feasting.

24. I presented his Ma^{ts} with his Panegyric* in y^e Privy Chamber, which he was pleas'd to accept most graciously; I gave copies to the Lord Chancellor and most of the Noblemen who came to me for it. I din'd at y^e Marques of Ormonds, where was a magnificent feaste and many greate persons.

1 May. I went to Hide Park to take y^a aire, where was his Majesty and an innumerable appearance of gallants and rich coaches, being now a time of universal festivitie and joy.

2. I had audience of my Lord Chancellor about my title to Says Court.

3. I went to see y^e wonderfull engine for weaving silk stockings, said to have ben y^e invention of an Oxford scholler 40 years since; and I return'd by Fromantil's y^e famous clock-maker to see some pendules, Mons^c Zulichem being with us.

This evening I was with my Lord Brouncker, S^r Rob^t Murray, S^r Pa. Neill, Mons^c Zulichem, and Mr. Bull (all of them of our Society and excellent mathematicians), to shew his Ma^{ts}, who was present, Saturn's animalis as some thought, but as Zulichem affirm'd with his Balleus (as that learned gentleman had publish'd), very neare eclipse'd by y^e Moon, neare y^e Mons Porphyritis; also Jupiter and Satelites, thro' his Majesty's great telescope, drawing 35 foote; on which were divers discourses.

8 May. His Ma^{ts} rode in state, with his imperial crowne on, and all the Peeres in their robes, in great pomp to y^e Parliament now newly chosen y^e old one being dissolv'd); and that evening dinn'd in Council his intention to marry the Infanta of Portugal.

9. At Sir Rob. Murray's, where I met Dr. Wallis Professor of Geometry in Oxon, where was discourse of several mathematical subjects.

* Viz. a Poem upon his Majestys Coronation the 29 of April 1661. See Vol. I. p. 100.

11. My wife presented to his Majesty the Madona she had copied in miniature from P. Oliver's painting after Raphael, which she wrought with extraordinary pains and judgment. The King was infinitely pleas'd with it, and caus'd it to be plac'd in his cabinet amongst his best paintings.

13. I heard and saw such exercises at y^e election of Scholars at Westm^r School to be sent to y^e University, in Latin, Greek, Hebrew, and Arabic, in themes and extemporary verses, as wonderfully astonish'd me in such youths, with such readiness and witt, some of them not above 12 or 13 years of age. Pity it is that what they attaine here so ripely, they either not retain or do not improve more considerably when they come to be men, tho' many of them do; and no lesse is to be blamed their odd pronouncing of Latine, so that out of England none were able to understand or endure it. The Examinants or Posers were, Dr. Duport, Greek Professor at Cambridge; Dr. Fell, Deane of Christ Church Oxon; Dr. Pierson, Dr. Alestree Deane of Westm^r, and any that would.

14 May. His Majesty was pleas'd to discourse with me concerning several particulars relating to our Society, and y^e planet Saturn, &c. as he sat at supper in the withdrawing room to his bed-chamber.

16. I din'd with Mr. Garmus, the Resident from Hamburgh, who continu'd his feast neere 9 whole hours, according to the custome of his country, tho' there was no greate excesse of drinking, no man being oblig'd to take more than he lik'd.

22. The Scotch Covenant was burnt by the common hangman in divers places in London. Oh prodigious change!

29. This was the first Anniversarie appointed by Act of Parliament to be observed as a day of General Thanksgiving for y^e miraculous Restauration of his Majesty: our Vicar preaching on 118 Psalm 24. requiring us to be thankful & rejoice, as indeede we had cause.

4 June. Came Sir Cha. Harbord, his Majesties surveyor, to take an account of what grounds I challeng'd at Says Court.

27. I saw the Portugal Ambassador at dinner with his Ma^c in state, where was excellent musiq.

2 July. I went to see the New Spring Garden at Lambeth, a pretty contriv'd plantation.

19. We tried our *Diving Bell* or engine in y^e water-dock at Deptford, in which our Curator continu'd half an hour under water; it was made of cast lead, let down with a strong cable.

August 3. Came my Lord Hatton, Comptroller of his Ma^{ts} household, to visite me.

9. I tried several experiments on y^e sensitive plant and humili, which contracted with the least touch of y^e sun thro' a burning glasse, tho' it rises and opens onely when it shines on it.

I first saw ye famous *Queen Pine** brought from Barbados and presented to his Ma^{ts}; but the first that were ever seen in England were those sent to Cromwell four years since.

I din'd at Mr. Palmer's† in Gray's Inn, whose curiosity excell'd in clocks and pendules, especialy one that had innumerable motions, and plaied 9 or 10 tunes on the bells very finely, some of them set in parts, which was very harmonious. It was wound up but once in a quarter. He had also good telescopes and mathematical instruments, choice pictures, and other curiosities. Thence we went to that famous mountebank Jo. Punteus.

Sir Kenelme Digby presceted every one of us his Discourse of the Vegetation of Plants; and Mr. Henshaw, his History of Salt Petre and Gunpowder. I assisted him to procure his place of French Secretary to the King, which he purchas'd of S^r Hen. De Vic.

I went to that famous phisitian Sir Fr. Prujean, who shew'd me his laboratorie, his work-house for turning, and other mechanics; also many excellent pictures, especialy y^e *Magdalen* of Caracci; and some incomparable *paisages* done in distemper; he plaied to me likewise on y^e *polythore*, an instrument having something of the harp, lute, theorbo, &c. It was a sweete instrument, by none known in England, or describ'd by any author, nor us'd but by this skilfull and learned Doctor.

* At Kensington Palace is a curious picture of King Charles receiving a kiss from his gardener Mr. Rose, who is presenting it on his knee. See heretofore, under 1660, August.

† See vol. II. p. 80.

15. I went to Tunbridge Wells, my wife being there for the benefit of her health. Walking about the solitudes, I greatly admired at the extravagant turnings, insinuations, and growth of certaine birch trees among the rocks.

13 Sept. I presented my Fumifugium*, dedicated to his Ma^y, who was pleas'd I should publish it by his special commands, being much gratified with it.

18. This day was read our Petition to his Ma^y for his Royal Grant authorizing our Society to meet as a Corporation, with several privileges.

An exceedingly sickly, wet autumn.

1 Oct. I sail'd this morning with his Ma^y in one of his yachts (or pleasure-boats), vessells not known among us til the Dutch E. India Company presented that curious piece to the King, being very excellent sailing vessells. It was on a wager betweene his other new pleasure boate, built frigate like, and one of the Duke of York's; the wager 100l.; the race from Greenwich to Gravesend and back. The King lost it going, the wind being contrary, but sav'd stakes in returning. There were divers noble persons and lords on board, his Ma^y sometimes steering himselfe. His barge and kitchen boate attended. I brake fast this morning with the King at return in his smaller vessell, he being pleas'd to take me and only fourre more, who were noblemen, with him; but din'd in his yatcht, where we all eate together with his Ma^y. In this passage he was pleas'd to discourse to me about my book inveighing against the nuisance of y^e smoke of London, and proposing expedients, how by removing those particulars I mentioned†, it might be reform'd; commanding me to prepare a Bill against y^e next Session of Parliament, being as he said resolv'd to have something don in it. Then he discours'd to me of y^e improvement of gardens and buildings, now very rare in England comparatively to other countries. He then commanded me to draw up the matter of fact happening at the bloudy encounter which then had newly happen'd betwcene the French and Spanish Ambass^{ies} neere y^e Tower, contending for precedency, at y^e

* This pamphlet having become extremely scarce, was handsomely reprinted for Messrs. White in Fleet Street, in 4to. in 1732.

† In the Fumifugium before mentioned.

reception of the Sweeds Ambass'; giving me order to consult Sr W^m. Compton, Master of y^e Ordnance, to informe me what he knew of it, and with his favourite S^r Cha. Berkley*, captaine of y^e Duke's life guard, then present with his troope and 3 foote companies; with some other reflections and instructions, to be prepar'd with a declaration to take off the reports w^{ch} went about of his Ma^v partiality in y^e affaire, and of his officers and spectators rudenesse whilst y^e conflict lasted: So I came home that night, and went next morning to London, where from y^e Officers of the Tower, S^r W^m Compton, S^r Cha. Berkley, and others who were attending at this meeting of y^e Ambass' 3 dayes before, having collected what I could; I drew up a narrative in vindication of his Ma^v and the carriage of his Officers and standers by. On Thursday his Ma^v sent one of the pages of the Back Stayres for me to waite on him with my papers in his cabinet, where was present only S^r Henry Bennett† (Privy Purse), when beginning to read to his Ma^v what I had drawn up, by the time I had read halfe a page, came in Mr. Secretary Morice with a large paper, desiring to speake with his Ma^v, who told him he was now very buisy, and therefore order'd him to come againe some other time; y^e Secretary replied that what he had in his hand was of extraordinary importance, so the King rose up, and commanding me to stay, went aside to a corner of the roome with the Secretary; after a while the Secretary being dispatch'd, his Ma^v returning to me at the table, a letter was brought him from Madame out of France; this he read and then bid me proceede from where I left off. This I did til I had ended all the narrative, to his Ma^v greate satisfaction; and after I had inserted one or two more clauses, in which his Ma^v instructed me, commanded that it should that night be sent to y^e Post-house directed to the Lord Ambass' at Paris (the Earle of St. Albans) and then at leisure to prepare him a copy which he would publish‡. This I did, and immediately sent my papers to the Secretary of State, with his Ma^v express^e command^e of dispatching them that night for France. Before I went out of his Ma^v closet,

* Afterwards Earl of Falmouth, who was killed by the side of the Duke of York in the first Dutch war. † Afterwards Secretary of State, Earl of Arundel.

: The Narrative is reprinted in vol. II. p. 338.

he call'd me back to shew me some ivorie statues, and other curiosities that I had not seen before.

3. Next evening, being in y^e withdrawing roome adjoining the bed-chamber, his Ma^y espying me, came to me from a greate crowde of noblemen standing neere the fire, and ask'd me if I had don; and told me he fear'd it might be a little too sharp, on second thoughts, for he had that morning spoken with y^e French Ambass^t, who it seemes had palliated y^e matter and was very tame, and therefore directed me where I should soften a period or two before it was publish'd (as afterwards it was*). This night also he spake to me to give him a sight of what was sent, and to bring it to him in his bed-chamber; which I did, and receiv'd it againe from him at dinuer next day. But Saturday having finish'd it with all his Ma^y's notes, the King being gon abroad, I sent y^e papers to S^r Hen. Bennett (Privy Purse and a greate favourite), and slip'd home, being myselfe much indispos'd and harrass'd with going about, and sitting up to write.

19 Oct. I went to London to visite my Lord of Bristol, having first been with Sir John Denham (his Ma^{ties} surveyor) to consult with him about the placing of his palace at Greenwich, which I would have had built between the river and the Queenes house, so as a large square cutt should have let in y^e Thames like a bay; but Sir John was for setting it on piles at the very brink of the water, which I did not assent to, and so came away, knowing Sir John to be a better poet than architect, tho' he had Mr. Webb (Inigo Jones's man) to assist him †.

29. I saw the Lord Maior ‡ passe in his water triumph to West-minster, being the first solemnity of this nature after 20 yeares.

2 Nov. Came S^r Hen. Bennet, since L^d Arlington, to visite me, and to acquaint me that his Ma^y would do me the honor to come and see my garden, bat it then being late 'twas deferr'd.

* Notwithstanding this positive assertion, it is very extraordinary that it has never been inserted in any Library or Auction Catalogue that a gentleman of the greatest research (Mr. Bindley) ever saw. Perhaps it was recd.

† See p. 346.

‡ Sir John Frederick. The pageant for this day was called "London's Triumph, at the Charges of the Green's Company." By John Tatham."

3. One Mr. Breton* preach'd his probation Sermon at our Parish Church, and indeede made a most excellent discourse on 1 John 29. of God's free grace to penitents, so that I could not but recommend him to the patron.

10. In the afternoone preach'd at the Abby Dr. Basire, that greate travailler, or rather French Apostle, who had ben planting y^e Church of England in divers parts of y^e Levant and Asia. He shew'd that y^e Church of England was for purity of doctrine, substance, decency, and beauty, the most perfect under Heaven; that England was the very land of Goshen.

11. I was so idle as to go see a play call'd "Love and Honor;" — Din'd at Arundel House; and that evening discours'd with his Majestie about shipping, in which he was exceeding skilfull.

15. I din'd with y^e Duke of Ormond, who told me there were no moles in Ireland, nor any rats till of late, and that but in one county: but it was a mistake that spiders would not live there, only they were not poysous. Also that they frequently took salmon with dogs.

16. I presented my Translation of "Naudæus concerning Libraries" to my Lord Chancellor, but it was miserably false printed.

17. Dr. Creighton, a Scot, author of the "Florentine Council," and a most eloquent man and admirable Grecian, preached on 6 Cant.

13. celebrating the returne and restauration of y^e Church and King.

20. At y^e Royall Society S^r W^m Petty propos'd divers things for the improvement of shipping, a versatile keele that should be on hinges, and concerning sheathing ships with thin lead.

24. This night his Ma^y fell into discourse with me concerning bees, &c.

26. I saw Hamlet Prince of Denmark played, but now the old plays began to disgust this refined age, since his Majestie being so long abroad.

28. I din'd at Chiffinch's house-warming in St. James's Park; he was his Ma^y's closet keeper^s, and had his new house full of good people.

* He obtained the Living.

† A Tragi-Comedy by Sir William Davenant, the instrumented musick, &c. being perform'd in the morning.

‡ Of which see more hereafter.

§ See vol. II. p. 100.

tures, &c. There din'd with us Russell, Popish Bishop of Cape Verde, who was sent out to negotiate his Ma^{ties} match with y^e Infanta of Portugal, after y^e Ambass^y was return'd.

29. I din'd at the Countesse of Peterborows, and went that evening to Parsons Greene with my L^d Mordaunt, with whom I staid that night.

1 Dec. I went to take leave of my Lo. Peterborow going now to Tangier, which was to be delivered to the English on the match with Portugal.

3. By universal suffrage of our philosophic assembly an order was made and register'd that I should receive their public thanks for the honourable mention I made of them by the name of Royal Society in my Epistle dedicatory to the Lord Chancellor before my Traduction of Naudeus. Too great an honor for a trifle.

4. I had much discourse with y^e Duke of York concerning strange cures, he affirmed of a woman who swallow'd a whole ear of barley, which work'd out at her side. I told him of y^e *knife swallow'd** and y^e pins.

I took leave of the Bishop of Cape Verde now going in the Fleet to bring over our new Queene.

7. I din'd at Arundel House, y^e day when the greate contest in Parliament was concerning the restoring the Duke of Norfolk; however 'twas carried for him. I also presented my little trifle of Sumptuary Laws, intitl'd "Tyrannus" [or "The Mode."]†

14. I saw otter hunting with the King, and killed one.

16. I saw a French Comedy acted at White-hall.

20. The Bishop of Gloucester † preached at the Abby at y^e funeral of y^e Bishop of Hereford, brother to y^e Duke of Albemarke. It was a decent solemnity. There was a silver mitre with episcopal robes, born by y^e Herald before y^e herse, which was follow'd by the Duke his brother, and all the Bishops with divers noblemen.

* This refers to the Dutchman, p. 18, and to an extraordinary case, contained in a "miraculous cure of the French Swallow Knife, &c. by Dan. Lakin, P.C." quarto, London, 1642, with a wood cut representing the object himself and the size of the knife.

† Reprinted in vol. II. p. 809.

‡ Dr. William Nicholson.

23. I heard an Italian play and sing to the guitar w^t extraordinary skill before the Duke.

1662, 1 Jan. I went to London, invited to the solemn foolerie of the Prince de la Grange at Lincoln's Inn, where came the King, Duke, &c. It began with a grand masque, and a formal pleading before the mock Prince, Grandees, Nobles, and Knights of the Sunn. He had his Lord Chancellor, Chamberlain, Treasurer, and other Royal Officers, gloriously clad and attended. It ended in a magnificent banquet. One Mr. Lort was the young spark who mainteine'd the pageantry.

6 Jan. This evening, according to costome, his Majesty open'd the revells of that night by throwing the dice himselfe in the privy chamber, where was a table set on purpose, and lost his 100*l.* (The yeare before he won 1500*l.*) The ladies also plaied very deepe. I came away when the Duke of Ormond had won about 1000*l.* and left them still at *passage, cards, &c.* At other tables, both there and at y^e Groom-porter's, observing the wicked folly and monstrous excesse of passion amongst some losers; sorry I am that such a wretched costome as play to that excesse should be countenanc'd in a Court which ought to be an example of virtue to the rest of the kingdome.

9. I saw acted "The 3d Part of the Siege of Rhodes." In this acted y^e faire and famous comedian call'd Roxalana from y^e part she perform'd; and I think it was the last, she being taken to be the Barle of Oxford's *Misse* (as at this time they began to call lewd women.) It was in recitativa musiq.

10. Being call'd into his Ma^{ts} closet when Mr. Cooper, y^e rare limner, was crayoning of the King's face and head, to make the stamps by for the new mali'd money now contriving, I had the honour to hold the candle whilst it was doing, he choosing the right and candle light for y^e better finding out the shadows. During this his Maj discours'd with me on several things relating to painting and drawing.

11 Jan. I diu'd at Arundel House, where I heard excellent musiq perform'd by the ablest masters both French and English; on violins, viols, organs, and voices, as an exercise against the coming of y^e Queene, purposely compos'd for her chapell. Annesse de la Aubignie (her Majesty's Almoner to be) shew'd during my stay

and his wheele-chaire for ease and motion, with divers other curiosities ; especially a kind of artificial glasse or porcellan adorn'd with relievos of paste, hard and beautifull. Lord Aubignie (brother to the Duke of Lennox) was a person of good sense, but wholly abandon'd to ease and effeminacy.

I receiv'd of Sir Peter Ball, the Queene's Attorney, a draught of an Act agaist the nuisance of y^e smoke of London, to be reform'd by remoying severall trades which are the cause of it, and indanger the health of the King and his people. It was to have ben offer'd to y^e Parliament as his Majestie commanded.

12. At St. James's Chapell preach'd, or rather harangu'd, the famous orator Mons' Morus*, in French. There was present the King, Duke, French Ambass^t, Lo. Aubignie, Earle of Bristol, and a world of Roman Catholics, drawne thither to hear this eloquent Protestant.

15 Jan. There was a general fast thro' y^e whole nation, and new celebrated at London, to avert God's heavy judgments on this land. There had fallen greate raine without any frost or seasonable cold, not only in England, but in Sweden, and the most Northern parts, being here neare as warme as at midsommer in some yeares.

This solemn fast was held for y^e House of Commons at St. Margarete. Dr. Reeves, Dean of Windsor, preach'd on 7. Joshua 12. shewing how y^e neglect of exacting justice on offenders (by which he insinuated such of the old King's murderers as were yet reprieved and in y^e Tower) was a maine cause of God's punishing a land. He brought in that of the Gibeonites as well as Achan and others, concluding with an eulogie of the Parliament for their Joyaltie in restoring y^e Bishops and Clergy, and vindicating the Church from sacrilege.

16. Having notion of y^e Duke of York's intention to visite my poore habitation and garden this day, I return'd, when he was pleas'd to do me that honor of his owne accord, and to stay some time viewing such things as I had in entertaine his curiositie. Afterwards he caus'd me

* Probably M. de la Mothe-Hermes, Marquis (the antagonist of Milton) who was here in the year 1667. He was a Frenchman and ROMEANIST and preacher.

to dine with him at the Treasurer of y^e Navy's house, and to sit with him cover'd at y^e same table. There were with his Highness the Duke of Ormond and several lords. Then they view'd some of my grounds about a project for a receptacle for ships to be moor'd in *; w^{ch} was laied aside as a fancy of S^r Nich^r Crisp. After this I accompanied the Duke to an East India vessel that lay at Blackwall, where we had entertainment of several curiosities. Among other spirituous drinks, as punch, &c. they gave us Canarie that had ben carried to and brought from y^e Indies, w^{ch} was indeede incomparably good. I return'd to London with his highnesse. This night was acted before his Ma^r "The Widow," a lewd play.

18. I came home to be private a little, not at all affecting the life and hurry of Court.

24. His Ma^r entertain'd me with his intentions of building his Palace of Greenwich†, and quite demolishing the old one; on w^{ch} declar'd my thoughts.

25. I dined with the Trinity Company at their house, that Corporation being by charter fixed at Deptford.

3 February. I went to Chelsey to see S^r Arthur Gorge's house.

11. I saw a comedy acted before y^e Dutchesse of York at the Cockpit. The King was not at it.

17. I went with my Lord of Bristol to see his house at Wimbleton‡, newly bought of y^e Queene Mother, to help contrive the garden after the moderte. It is a delicious place for prospect and y^e thickets, but the soile cold and weeping clay. Returned that evening with S^r Henry Bennet.

This night was buried in Westminister Abby the Queene of Bohemia, after all her sorrows and afflictions, being come to die in the arms of her nephew the King: also this night and the next day fell much a storm of

* P. 296.

† P. 341.

‡ It came afterwards to Sarah Duchess of Marlborough, who sold it to the Duke of Bedford, and he to the Duke of Cambridge. It is now in the possession of the Duke of Marlborough. There are two scarce and curious views of the old house, engraven by Wenceslaus Hollar.

§ Elizabeth Electress Palatine, daughter of James I. and Anne of Denmark, and of the most amiable disposition.

hail, thunder and lightning, as never was seene the like in any man's memorie, especially the tempest of wind, being South West, which subverted besides huge trees, many houses, innumerable chimnies (amongst others that of my parlour at Says Court), and made such havoc at land and sea that several perisht on both. Divers lamentable fires were also kindl'd at this time, so exceedingly was God's hand against this ungrateful and vicious Nation and Court.

20. I return'd home to repaire my house, miserably shatter'd by y^e late tempest.

March 24. I returned home w^b my whole family, which had ben most part of the winter since October at London in lodgings, neere the Abby of Westminster.

6 April. Being of the Vestry, in the afternoone we order'd that the Communion Table should be set as usual altar-wise, with a decent rail before it, as before the Rebellion.

17 April. The young Marquis of Argyle, whose turbulent father was executed in Scotland, came to see my garden. He seem'd a man of parts.

7 May. I waited on Prince Rupert to our Assembly, where were tried severall experiments in Mr. Boyle's *vacuum*. A man thrusting in his arme upon exhaustion of y^e aire, had his flesh immedately swelled so as the bloud was neare bursting the veines: he drawing it ute we found it all speckled.

14. To London, being chosen one of the Commissⁿ for reforming the buildings, wayes, streetes, and incumbrances, and regulating the hackney coaches in the Citty of London, taking my oath before my Lord Chancellor, and then went to his Ma^y Surveyor's office in Scotland Yard about naming and establishing officers, adjourning till y^e 16th, when I went to view how St. Martin's Lane might be made more passable into y^e Strand. There were divers Gent^a of quality in this Commission.

25. I went this evening to London, in order to our journey to Hampton Court to see the new Queene, who having landed at Portsmouth, had been carried to y^e King a weeke before by the Bishop of London.

30. The Queene arriv'd with a traine of Portuguese ladies in their monstrous fardingals or guard-infantas, their complexions slender and sufficiently unagreeable. Her Ma^t in the same habit, her foretop long and turn'd aside very strangely. She was yet of the handsomest countenance of all y^e rest, and tho' low of stature pretily shaped, lank guishing and excellent eyes, her teeth wronging her mouth by sticking a little too far out; for the rest lovely enough.

31. I saw the Queen at dinner; the Judges came to compliment her arrival, and after them the Duke of Ormond brought me to kiss her hand.

2 June. The Lord Mayor and Ald^r made their addresses to the Queen, presenting her £.1000 in gold. Now saw I her Portuguese ladies, and the Guarda-damas or Mother of her maid^s, and the old Knight, a lock of whose haire quite cover'd the rest of his bald pate, bound on by a thred, very oddly. I saw the rich gondola sent to his Ma^ty from the State of Venice; but it was not comparable for swiftnesse to our common wherries, tho' manag'd by Venetians.

4. Went to visite the Earle of Bristol at Wimbleton.

8 June. I saw her Ma^y at supper privately in her bed-chamber.

9. I heard the Queen's Portugal music, consisting of pipes, harps, and very ill voices.

Hampton Court is as noble and uniforme a pile, and as exquisit as
any Gotiq. architecture can have made it. There is incomparable furni-
ture in it, especially hangings design'd by Raphael, very rich with gold,
also many rare pictures, especially the *Cæsarian Triumph* of Andre
Mantegna, formerly the Duke of Mantua's; of the tapestry I believe
the world can shew nothing nobler of the kind than the stories of
Abraham and Tobit. The gallery of horres is very grand, having
vast beames of staggs, elks, antelopes, &c. The Chamber-chamber an
embroidery of silver on crimson velvet, and cost about 10000 pounds.

* Of a dark olive complexion. It has been noticed in other instances that the ladies of Honour who came over with her were disconcerted by her singular appearance. See Fairthorne's curious print of 'Her Majesty's Ladies'.

A lady had this title in the reign of King George III.

sent made by y^e States of Holland when his Mat^y returned, and had formerly ben given by them to our King's sister y^e Princesse of Orange, and being bought of her againe was now presented to y^e King. The greate looking glasse and toilet of beaten and massive gold was given by the Queene Mother. The Queene brought over with her from Portugal such Indian cabinets as had never before ben scene here. The greate hall is a most magnificent roome. The chapell-roof excellently fretted and gilt. I was also curios to visite the wardrobe and tents and other furniture of state. The park formerly a flat naked piece of ground, now planted with sweete rows of lime trees; and the canall for water now neere perfected; also the hare park. In y^e garden is a rich and noble fountaine, with syrens, statues, &c. cast in copper by Fanelli, but no plenty of water. The cradle-walk of horne beame in y^e garden is, for the perplexed twining of the trees, very observable. There is a parterre w^{ch} they call Paradise, in w^{ch} is a pretty banqueting-house set over a cave or cellar. All these gardens might be exceedingly improved, as being too narrow for such a palace.

10. I return'd to London, and presented my History of Chalcographie (dedicated to Mr. Boyle) to our Society.

19 June. I went to Albury, to visite Mr. Henry Howard soone after he had procured y^e dukedom to be restor'd. This gentleman had now compounded a debt of £200,000, contracted by his grandfather. I was much oblig'd to that greate virtuoso, and to this young gentleman, with whom I staid a fortnight.

2 July. We hunted and kill'd a buck in y^e park, Mr. Howard inviting most of the gentlemen of the country neere him.

3. My wife met me at Woodcott whither Mr. Howard accompanied me to see my son John, who had ben much brought up amongst Mr. Howard's children at Arundel House, 'til for feare of their perverting him in the catholic religion, I was forced to take him home.

8. To London, to take leave of y^e Duke and Dutchesse of Ormond, going thence into Irelанд with an extraordinary retinue.

13. Spent some time with the L^t Chancellor, where I had discourse wth my Lord Willoughby, Governor of Barbados, concerning divers particulars of that colony.

28. His Ma^y going to sea to meet the Queene Mother, now coming agayne for England, met with such ill weather as greatly endanger'd him. I went to Greenwich, to wait on the Queene now landed.

30. To London, where was a meeting about Charitable Uses, and particularly to enquire how the Citty had dispos'd of the revenues of Gresham College, and why the salaries of the professors there, were no better improv'd. I was on this commission, with divers Bishops and Lords of the Council, but little was the progresse we could make.

31. I sate with y^e Commissⁿ about reforming the buildings and streetes of London, and we ordered the paving of the way from St. James's North, which was a quagmire, and also of the Hay-market about Piquidillo [Piccadilly], and agreed upon instructions to be printed and published for the better keeping the streetes cleane.

I Aug. Mr. H. Howard, his brothers Charles, Edward, Bernard, Philip* now y^e Queens Almoner, (all brothers of y^e Duke of Norfolk still in Italy) came with a greate traine and din'd with me; Mr. H. Howard leaving with me his eldest and youngest sons Henry and Thomas for 3 or 4 days, my son John having ben sometime bred up in their fathers house.

4. Came to see me the old Countesse of Devonshire †, with that excellent and worthy person, my Lord, her sonn, from Rowhampton.

5. To London, and next day to Hampton Court about my purchase, and took leave of S^r R. Fanshawe now going Ambassador to Portugal.

13. Our Charter being now passed under the broad seal, constituting us a Corporation under the name of The Royal Society, for the improvement of naturall knowledge by experiment, was this day read, and was all that was done this afternoone, being very large.

14. I sat on the commission for Charitable Uses, the Drapers, &c. and others of the Mercers Company being summond to answer some

* Since Cardinal at Rome.

† Charlotte Countess of Devonshire. She was of considerable note in her time, for her beauty, her great care in the management of her small estate, and for her conversation, which was always full of wit and humour. She was a friend to Sir Francis Bacon, and a person who frequently met at his house, and for her worth and virtue was much esteemed by King Charles II. after his return from France, and during the time of the Restoration. King Charles II. frequently visited her, and she was always ready to receive him. There is a life of this lady written by Mrs. Barbara L'Estrange.

complaints of the professors grounded on a clause in the will of Sir Tho' Gresham the founder.

This afternoone the Queene Mother with the Earle of St. Albans and many greate ladies and persons, was pleas'd to honor my poore villa with her presence, and to accept of a collation. She was exceedingly pleas'd and stay'd till very late in the evening.

15. Came my Lord Chancellor (y^e Earle of Clarendon) and his lady, his purse and mace borne before him, to visit me. They were likewise collation'd with us, and were very merry. They had all ben our old acquaintance in exile, and indeed this greate person had ever ben my friend. His sonn Lord Cornebery was here too.

17 Aug. Being the Sonday when the Common Prayer Booke reformed and ordered to be used for the future, was appointed to be read, and the solemn League and Covenant to be abjured by all the incumbents of England under penalty of looseing their livings; our Vicar read it this morning.

20. There were strong guards in y^e City this day, apprehending some tumulte, many of the Presbyterian Ministers not conforming. I dined with the Vice Chamberlaine, and then went to see the Queene Mother, who was pleas'd to give me many thanks for the entertainment she receiv'd at my house, when she recounted to me many observable stories of the sagacity of some dogs she formerly had.

21. I was admitted and then sworne one of y^e Council of y^e Royal Society, being nominated in his Ma^t original grant to be of this Council for the regulation of this Society, and making laws and statutes concurable to its establishment and progresse, for which we now set apart every Wednesday morning till they were all finished. Lord Vice^r Brouncker (that excellent mathematician) was also by his Ma^t our Founder nominated our first President. The King gave us the armes of England to be borne in a canton in our armes, and sent us a mace of silver gilt of y^e same fashion and bigness as those carried before his Ma^t, to be borne before our President on meeting daies. It was brought by S^r Gilb^t Talbot, Master of his Ma^t Jewel-house.

22. I din'd with my Lord Brouncker and S^r Rob^r Morray, and then went to consult about a new-model'd ship at Lambeth, the

intention being to reduce that art to as certaine a method as any other part of architecture.

23 Aug. I was spectator of the most magnificent triumph that ever floated on the Thames^{*}, considering the innumerable boates and vessels, dress'd and adorn'd with all imaginable pomp, but above all the thrones, arches, pageants, and other representations, stately barges of the Lord Maior and Companies, with various inventions, musiq and peales of ordnance both from y^e vessels and the shore, going to meete and conduct the new Queene from Hampton Court to White-hall, at the first time of her coming to towne. In my opinion it far exceeded all y^e Venetian Bucentoras, &c. on the Ascension, when they go to espouse the Adriatic. His Ma^{re} and the Queene came in an antiq-shap'd open vessell, cover'd with a state or canopy of cloth of gold, made in form of a cupola, supported with high Corinthian pillars, wreath'd with flowers, festoons, and garlands. I was in our new-built vessell, sailing amongst them.

29. The Council and Fellows of y^e Royal Society went in a body to White-hall to acknowledge his Ma^{re} royal grace in granting our charter, and vouchsafing to be himselfe our Founder; when the President made an eloquent speech, to which his Ma^{re} gave a gracious reply, and we all kiss'd his hand. Next day we went in like manner with our addresse to my Lo. Chancellor, who had much promoted our Patent, he receiv'd us with extraordinary favour. In the evening I went to the Queene Mother's Court, and had much discourse with her.

1 Sept. Being invited by Lo. Berkley, I went to Dunstable, where din'd his Majestie, the Queene, Duke, Dorchesse, Duke of Rothesay, Prince Edward, and abundance of Noblemen. I went also thither to visit my brother of Woodcot, my sister having ben delivered of a son a little before, but who had now ben two days dead.

4 Sept. Commission for charitable uses, my Lt. Mairon and Advermen being againe chosen[†]; and the imprisonment of Sir Tho.

* An account of this solemnity was published in the "London Gazette" and the "Newes of the honourable City of London" extreamly well, shewing the magnificence of the entertainment, and welcoming them from Hampton Court to White-hall.

† At Epmon.

Gressham's estate examin'd. There were present the Bp. of London, the Lord Chief Justice, and the King's Attorney.

6. Dined w^t me S^r Edward Walker, Garter King at Armes, Mr. Slingsby, Master of the Mint, and several others.

17. We now resolv'd that the armes of the Society should be, a field Argent, with a canton of the armes of England; the supporters two talbots Argent; Crest, an eagle Or holding a shield with the like armes of England, viz. 3 lions. The words *Nullius in verba*. It was presented to his Ma^y for his approbation, and orders given to Garter King at Armes, to passe the diploma of their office for it.

20. I presented a petition to his Ma^y about my own concerns, and afterwards accompanied him to Mons^r Febure, his chymist, (and who had formerly ben my master in Paris) to see his accurate preparation for y^e composing S^r Walter Raleigh's rare cordial; he made a learned discourse before his Ma^y in French on each ingredient.

27. Came to visite me S^r Geo. Savell*, grandson to y^e learned Sir Hen^r Savell, who publish'd St. Chrysostome. S^r Geo. was a witty gentleman, if not a little too prompt and daring.

3 Oct. I was invited to the Colledge of Physicians, where Dr. Meret, a learned man and Library Keeper, shew'd me the Library, Theater for Anatomie, and divers natural curiosities; the statue and epigraph under it of that renowned physician Dr. Harvey, discoverer of the circulation of the blood. There I saw Dr. Gilbert, S^r W^m Paddy's, and other pictures of men famous in their faculty.

Visited Mr. Wright †, a Scotsman, who had liv'd long at Rome and was esteem'd a good painter. The pictures of the Judges at Guild-hall are of his hand, and so are some pieces in White-hall, as y^e roofe in his Majesties old bed-chamber, being Astrea, the St. Catherine, and a chimney-piece in the Queene's privy chamber; but his best, in my opinion, is Lucy the famous Roscius or comedian, whom he has painted in three dresses, as a gallant, a Presbyterian minister, and a Scotch highlander in his plaid. It is in his Ma^y dining-room at Windsor. He had at his house an excellent collection, espeacially that small piece

* Afterwards the celebrated Marquis of Halifax.

† See p. 316.

of Corregio, *Scotus of de la Marca*, a designe of Paulo, and above all those ruines of Polydore, with some good achivtes and medaills, especially a Scipio, and a Caesar's head of gold.

15. I this day deliver'd my Discourse concerning Forest Trees to the Society, upon occasion of certain queries sent to us by the Commissioners of his M^{sty}'s Navy, being the first booke that was printed by order of the Society, and by their Printer, since it was a Corporation.

16. I saw "Volpone" acted at Court before their Ma^{ts}.

21. To the Queene Mother's Court, where her Ma^{ty} related to us divers passages of her escapes during the Rebellion and Wars in England.

28 Oct. To Court in y^e evening, where y^e Queene Mother, y^e Queene Consort, and his Ma^{ty}, being advertis'd of some disturbance, forbore to go to the Lord Maior's shew and feast appointed next day, the new Queene not having yet seen y^e triumph.

29. Was my Lo. Maior's* shew, with a number of sumptuous pageants, speeches, and verses. I was standing in an house in Cheapside against the place prepar'd for their Ma^{ts}. The Prince and heire of Denmark was there, but not our King. There were also y^e maids of honor. I went to Court this evening, and had much discourse with Dr. Basiers †, one of his Ma^{ty}'s chaplains, the greate traveller, who shew'd me the syngraphes and original subscriptions of divers Eastern Patriarchs and Asian Churches to our Confession.

4 Nov. I was invited to the wedding of y^e daughter of S^t Geo. Carteret, y^e Treasurer of y^e Navy and King's Vice-Chamberlain), maried to Sir Nich^l. Slaning, Kn^t of the Bath; by the Bishop of London in y^e Savoy Chapell; after which was an extraordinary feast.

5. The Council of y^e R. Society met to amend the Statutes, and dined together; afterwards meeting at Gresham College, where a discourse suggested by me concerning planting his Majst Forest of Deane with oake, now so much exhausted of y^e choicer timber in the world.

* Sir John Robinson, Kn^t and Bart. Clothworker. The service on this occasion was perform'd in London's Triumph, at the Charge of the Clothworker's Company.

† Isaac Basire. See p. 349, and an account of him in Volume I.

20. Dined wth the Comptroller Sir Hugh Pollard; afterwards saw "The Young Admiral" * acted before y^e King.

21. Spent the evening at Court, St Kench Digby giving me greate thanks for my *Sylva*.

27. Went to London to see y^e entrance of y^e Russian Ambass^t, whom his Ma^y order'd to be received with much state, the Emperor not only having ben kind to his Ma^y in his distress, but banishing all commerce with our Nation during y^e Rebellion.

First, the City Companies and Train'd Bands were all in their stations: his Ma^y's Army and Guards in greate order. His Excellency came in a very rich coach, with some of his chiefe attendants; many of the rest on horseback, clad in their vests after y^e Eastern manner, rich furrs, cape, and carrying the presents, some carrying hawkes, furrs, teeth, bows, &c. It was a very magnificent shew.

I din'd with the Master of the Mint †, where was old Sir Ralph Freeman; passing my evening at the Queene Mother's Court, at night saw acted "The Committee," a ridiculous play of Sir R. Howard, where y^e mimic Lacy acted the Irish Footeman to admiration.

30. St. Andrewes day. Invited by y^e Deane of Westminster § to his consecration dinner and ceremony, on his being made Bishop of Worcester. Dr. Bolton preach'd in y^e Abby Church, then follow'd the consecration by the Bishops of London, Chichester, Winchester, Salisbury, &c. After this was one of the most plentifull and magnificent dinners that in my life I ever saw; it cost neere £.600 as I was inform'd. Here were the Judges, Nobility, Clergy, and Gentlemen innumerable, this Bishop being universally belov'd for his sweete and gentle disposition. He was author of those Characters which go under y^e name of *Bionus*. He translated his late Ma^y's Icon into Latine, was *Clarke of his Closet*, Chaplaine, Deane of Westm', and yet a most humble, meek, but chefull man, an excellent scholar, and rare preacher. I had the honour to be loved by him. He married me at

* A Tragi-Comedy by James Shirley.

† Mr. Shapley.

‡ Dr. John Bowes, now Bishop of Worcester to Salisbury.

|| These Characters were written twice printed, and are still read with some interest.

§ Of Betchworth in Surrey.

Paris, during his Majesties and y^e Churches exile. When I tooke leave of him he brought me to the Cloysters in his episcopal habit. I then went to evening prayers at White-hall, where I passe^d that evening.

1 Dec. Having seene the strange and wonderful dexterity of the sliders on the new Catall in St. James's Park, perform'd before their Ma^{ts} by divers gentlemen and others with Scheets after the manner of the Hollanders, with what swiftness they passe, how suddenly they stop in full carriere upon the ice, I went home by water, but not without exceeding difficultie, the Thames being frozen, greate flakes of ice in compassing our boate.

17. I saw acted before y^e King "The Law against Lovers."^{*}

21 Dec. One of his Ma^{ts} Chaplains preach'd, for which, instead of y^e antient, grave, and solemn wind musiq accompanying y^e organ, was introduc'd a concert of 24 violins betweene every pause, after y^e French fantastical light way, better suiting a tavern or playhouse than a church. This was y^e first time of change, and now we no more heard the cornet w^{ch} gave life to y^e organ, that instrument quite left off in which the English were so skillfull. I din'd at Mr. Povey's, where I talk'd with Cromer, a greate musician.

23. I went with S^r George Tuke to hear the Comedians cou and repeate his new comedy, "The Adventures of 5 Hours," a play whose plot was taken out of y^e famous Spanish poet Calderon.

27. Visited Sir Theophilus Biddalp^h.

29. Saw the audience of the Muscovy Ambass^t which was with extraordinary state, his retinue being numerous, all clad in vests of severall colours, with buskies after y^e Eastern manner; their caps of furr; tunicks richly embrodred with gold and pearls made a glorious shew. The King being seated under a canopic in y^e Ambassador's house, the Secretary of y^e Embassy went before y^e Ambassador in a grand march, holding up his master's letters of credence in y^e Ambassador's scarf before his forehead. The Ambassador then did him a reverent & profound reverence to y^e King, who gave it to him a lowe & short

* A Tragi-Comedy by Sir William Davenant, like to "Twelfth Night," "All is True," "Measure for Measure," and "Much Ado about Nothing."—See note p. 352.

it was written in a long and lofty style. Then came in the present, borne by 165 of his retinue, consisting of mantles and other large pieces lined with sable, black fox and ermine; Persian carpets, the ground cloth of gold and velvet; hawks, such as they sayd never came the like; horses said to be Persian; bowes and arrows, &c. These borne by so long a traime rendered it very extraordinary. Wind-musiq play'd all the while in y^e galleries above. This finish'd, y^e Ambassador was convey'd by y^e Master of y^e Ceremonies to York House, where he was treated with a banquet w^{ch} cost £.200 as I was assur'd *.

1663. 7 Jan. At night I saw y^e Ball, in which his Ma^v daunc'd with several great ladies.

8. I went to see my kinsman Sir Geo. Tuke's comedy acted at Duke's Theater, which took so universaliy that it was acted for some weekes every day, and 'twas believ'd it would be worth to the Comedians 4 or £.500. The plot was incomparable, but the language stiffe and formal.

10. I saw a Ball againe at Court, daunc'd by the King, the Duke, and Ladies in great pompe.

21. Dined at Mr. Treasurer's of the Household, S^r Cha^r Berkeley's, where were the Earle of Oxford, L^d Bellasis, L^d Gerard, S^r Andrew Scoope, S^r William Coventry, Dr. Fraser, M^r. Wiudham, and others.

5 Feb. I saw "The Wild Gallant," a comedy †; and was at y^e greate Ball at Court, where his Ma^v, the Queene, &c. daunc'd.

* "The Czar of Moscow sent an Embassie to compliment K. Cha. II. on his Restoration. The K. sent the R^t of Carlisle as his Embassie to Moscow, to desire the re-establishment of the antient privileges of the English Merchants at Archangel, wh^{ch} had been taken away by the Czar, who abhorring the murder of the K^r father, accused them as favorers of it. But by the means of the Czar's minister, his favorab^{le} was very ill received, and met with what he deemed affronts, and had no success as to his demands, so that at coming away he refused the presents sent him by the Czar. The Czar sent an Ambassie to England to complain of Lord Carlisle's conduct, but his Lordship vindicated himself as well, that the King told the Embassie he saw no reason to condemn his lordships conduct." Relation of this Embassie by G. M. authenticated by Lord Carlisle, published 1666.

† By Mr. Dryden. It was not received on its first representation, but was considerably altered to the form in which it now appears.

6. Dined at my Lord Maiors, S^r. Jo. Robinson, Lieutenant of the Tower.

15. This night some villains brake into my house and stabb^y below, and robbed me to y^e value of £60 in plate, money, and goods. This being the third time I have ben thus plundered.

26 Mar. I sat at y^e Commission of Sewers, where was a greate case pleaded by his Ma^t's Counsel; he having built a wall over a water-course, denied the jurisdiction of the Court. The verdict went for the Plaintiff [i. e. against y^e King].

30 April. Came his Ma^t to honor my poore villa with his presence, viewing the gardens and even every roome of the house, and was pleas'd to take a small refreshment. There were with him the Duke of Rich-mond, E. of St. Albans, Lord Lauderdale, and severall persons of quality.

14 May. Dined with my Lord Mordaunt, and thence went to Barnes, to visite my excellent and ingeniuous friend Abraham Cowley.

17. I saluted the old Bishop of Darham, Dr. Cosin, to whom I had ben kind and assisted in his exile, but which he little remember'd in his greatnessse.

29. Dr. Creighton preach'd his extravagant Sermon at St. Margarret's, before the House of Commons.

30. This morning was pass'd my Lease of Says Court from the Crown, for y^e finishing of which I had ben oblig'd to make such frequent journies to London. I return'd this evening, having seen the Russian Ambassador take leafe of their Ma^t with great solemnity.

2 July. I saw the greate masq. at Court, and lay that night at Arundel-house.

4. I saw his Ma^t's guard, being of horse and foot, 4000 men by the General the Duke of Albermarle in extraordinary equipment and apparel, consisting of gentlemen of quality and veteran soldiers, excellently clad, mounted and ordered, drawn up in several rows before the Ma^t in Hide Park, where the old Duke of Wentworth, his general, and led the right-hand file in a foote company, followed by the Duke of Wentworth his son, a worthy spartan, and several other noblemen, all them old and valiant soldiers. This was a sight to see, in the park.

7. Dined at the Comptroller's; after dinner we met at the Commission about the streetes, and to regulate huckney coaches, also to make up our accompts to passe the Exchequer.

16. A most extraordinary wet and cold season.

S^r Geo. Carteret, Treasurer of the Navy, had now married his daughter Caroline to S^r Tho. Scot, of Scottshall, in Kent *. This gent: was thought to be the sonn of Prince Rupert.

2 Aug. This evening I accompanied Mr. Treasurer and Vice Chamberlain Carteret to his lately-married son-in-law's, S^r Tho. Scot, to Scottshall. We tooke barge as far as Graves-end, thence by post to Rochester, whence in coach and 6 horses to Scottshall; a right noble seate, uniformely built, with a handsome gallery. It stands in a park well stor'd, the land fat and good. We were exceedingly feasted by the young knight, and in his pretty chapell heard an excellent sermon by his chaplaine. In the afternoone preach'd the learned S^r Norton Knatchbull† (who has a noble seate hard by, and a plantation of stately fir-trees). In the church-yard of the parish church I measur'd an over-grown yew-tree that was 18 of my paces in compasse, out of some branches of which, torne off by y^e winds, were saw'd divers goodly planks.

10. We return'd by Sir Norton's, whose house is likewise in a park. This gent^s is a worthy person, and learned critic, especialy in Greek and Hebrew. Passing by Chatham we saw his Ma^{ys} Royal Navy, and din'd at Commiss^r Pett's, master-builder there, who shewed me his study and models, with other curiosities belonging to his art. He is esteem'd for y^e most skillfull ship-builder in the world. He hath a pretty garden and banqueting-house, pots, statues, cypresses, resembling some villas about Rome. After a greate feast we rod post to Graves-end, and sending the coach to London, came by barge home that night.

18. To London to see my Lo. Chancellor, where I had discourse with my Lo. Arches^r of Canterbury and the Bishop of Winchester, who informed me to write to Dr. Pierce, President of Magd. Coll.

* See Hasted's "Kent," Vol. III. p. 222.

† Id. vol. II. p. 444.

On^x about a letter sent him by Dr. Goff, a Romish Oratorian, concerning an answer to Dean Cressy's late book.*

20. I din'd at y^e Comptroller's [of the Household] with y^e Earl of Oxford and Mr. Ashburnham; it was said it should be the last of the public diets or tables at Court, it being determined to put down the old hospitality, at which was greate murmuring, considering his Ma^{ys} vast revenue and the plenty of y^e Nation. Hence I went to sit in a Committee to consider about the regulation of the Mint at the Tower, in which some small progresse was made.

27 Aug. Din'd at S^t Ph. Warwick's, Secretary to my Lo. Treasurer, who shew'd me the accompts and other private matters relating to the revenue. Thence to the Commiss^r of the Mint, particularly about coynage, and bringing his Ma^{ys} rate from 15 to 10 shillings for every pound weight of gold.

31. I was invited to the Translation of Dr. Sheldon, Bishop of London, from that see to Canterbury, the ceremonie performed at Lambeth. First went his grace's mace bearer, steward, treasurer, comptroller, all in their gowries and with white staves; next, the Bishops in their habites, eight in number; Dr. Sweate, Deane of the Arches, Dr. Exton, Judge of y^e Admiralty, S^t W^m Merick, Judge of the Prerogative Court, with divers Advocates in scarlet. After divine service in y^e chapel, perform'd with musiq extraordinary, Dr. French and Dr. Stradling (his grace's chaplaines) saied prayers. The Archb^m in a private roome looking into y^e Chapel, the Bishops who were Commissioners went up to a table plac'd before the altar, and sat round it in chaires. Then Dr. Chaworth presented y^e commission under the broad seal to y^e Bishop of Winchester, and it was read by Dr. Sweate. After which the Vicar-general went to y^e vestry, and brought his Grace into y^e Capell, his other officers marching before. The service

* Of Dr. Pierce, who was also Dean of Salisbury, Wood gives a very interesting account in his "Fasti." He appears to have been educated in clerical books both Latin and Greek, and probably Dean Cressy was bred in the Church of England; and we may suppose he was a student at the University of Lehigh in Ireland, in the time of King Edward VI; but notwithstanding his education he had no benefit from either; he afterwards became a Romish priest, and was called "Exomologetis," or the motives of his conversion, "Presto's son."

presented to the Commissⁿ was seated in a greate arm chaire at one end of y^e table, when the definitiue sentence was read by the Bishop of Winchester, and subscribed by all the Bishops, and proclamation was three times made at the Chapell dore, which was then set open for any to enter and give their exceptions, if any they had. This don, we all went to dinner in y^e greate hall to a mighty feast. There were present all y^e nobility in towne, y^e Lord Maior of London, Sheriffs, Duke of Albemarle, &c. My Lo. Archb^p did in particular most civilly welcome me. So going to visite my Lady Needham wh^o liv'd at Lambeth, I went over to London.

10 Sept. I din'd with Mr. Treasurer of y^e Navy, where setting by Mr. Secretary Morice, we had much discourse about bookes and authors, he being a learned man, and had a good collection.

24 Oct. Mr. Edw^d Phillips came to be my sonns preceptor: this gentleman was nephew to Milton, who wrote against Salmasius's "Defensio," but was not at all infected with his principles, tho' brought up by him.

5 Nov. Dr. South, my L^d Chancellor's Chaplain, preached at Westminster Abby an excellent discourse concerning obedience to Magistrates, against the Pontificans and Sectaries. I afterwards dined at Sir Ph: Warwick's, where was much company.

6. To Court, to get Sir John Evelyn of Godstone off from being Sheriff of Surrey*.

30. Was the first anniversary of our Society for the choice of new officers, according to the tenor of our Patent and Institution. It being St. Andrew's day, who was our patron, each fellow wore a St. Andrew's Cross or ribbon on the crowne of his hatt. After y^e election we dinn'd together, his Ma^y sending us venison.

16 Dec. To our Society where Mr. P. Balle, our treasurer at the late election, presented the Society with an iron chest, with 3 locks, and in it £100.00 aight.

18. Dined with y^e gentlemyn of his Ma^y bedchamber at White-hall.

1664, 2 Jan. To Barne Elmes, to see Abraham Cowley after his sicknesse; and returned that evening to London.

4 Feb. Dined at S^t Philip Warwick's, thence to Court, where I had discourse with the King about an invention of Glasse Grammire, and severall other subjects.

5. I saw "The Indian Queene"** acted, a tragedie well written, so beautified with rich scenes as the like had never been scene here, or haply (except rarely) elsewhere on a mercenary theater.

16. I presented my "Sylva" to the Society; and next day to his Majestie, to whom it was dedicated; also to the Lord Treasurer, and the Lord Chancellor.

24. My Lord Geo. Berkeley of Durdens, and S^t Sam^t Tuke, came to visite me. We went on board S^t William Petty's double bottom'd vessel, and so to London.

26. Dined with my Lord Chancellor; and thence to Court, where I had greate thanks for my "Sylva," and long discourses with the King of divers particulars.

2 March. Went to London, to distribute some of my books amongst friends.

4. Came to dine with me the Earle of Lauderdale, his Majesties greate favorite, and Secretary of Scotland; the E. of Tividale; my L^t Visc^t. Brouncker, Presid^t. of the R. Society; Dr. Wilkins, Deane of Rippon; Sir Rob^c Morrey, and Mr. Hooke, Curator to y^r Society.

This Spring I planted the Home-field and West-field about Syys Court with elmes, being the same yearre that the elmes were planted by his Ma^t in Greenwich Park.

9. I went to the Tower, to sit in Commission about regulating the Mint; and now it was that the fine new mill'd coin both of shillings money and guineas was establish'd.

26. It pleas'd God to take away my sonne Richard, being now a moneth old, yet without any sicknesses of danger unnotable, being to all appearance a most likely child; we suspected much the cause did

* Written by Sir Robert Hooke, and published by him.

overlayne him to our extreme sorrow, being now againe reduced to one; but God's will be done!

29. After evening prayers was my child buried neere the rest of his brothers—my very deare Children.

27 April. Saw a facetious Comedy called "Love in a Tub;" and supped at Mr. Secretary Bennet's.

3 May. Came y^e Earle of Kent my kinsman, and his Lady, to visite us.

5. Went with some company a journey of pleasure on y^e water in barge with musick, and at Mortlack had a greate banquet, returning late. The occasion was, S^r Rob. Carr now courting Mrs. Bennet, sister to y^e Secretary of State.

6. Went to see Mr. Wrighte the painter's collection of rare shells, &c.

8 June. Went to our Society, to w^b his Ma^{tie} had sent that wonderfull horn of y^e fish which struck a dangerous hole in y^e keel of a Ship in the India Sea, w^b being broke off with the violence of y^e fish and left in y^e timber, preserved it from foundering.

9. S^r Samuel Tuke* being this morning married to a lady, kinswoman to my Lord Arundel of Wardour, by y^e Queenes Lord Almoner L. Aubignie in St. James's Chapell, solemniz'd his wedding-night at my house with much compaines.

22. One Tomson a Jesuite shew'd me such a collection of rarities, sent from y^e Jesuites of Japan and China to their Order at Paris, as a present to be reserv'd in their repository, but brought to London by the East India shippes for them, as in my life I had not seene. The cheife things were, large rhinoceros's horns; glorious vests wrought and embroidered on cloth of gold, but with such lively colours, that for splendour and vividness we have nothing in Europe that approches it; a girdle studded with achate and rubies of greate value and size; knives of so keene an edge as one could not touch them, nor was the mettal of our colour, but more pale and livid; fanns like those our ladies use, but much larger, and with long handles curiously carved and filled with Chinese characters; a sort of paper very broad, thin and fine like abor-

tive parchment and exquisitely polished, of an amber yellow, exceeding glorious and pretty to looke on, and seeming to be like that which my Lo. Verulame describes in his "Nova Atlantis;" several other sorts of paper, some written, others printed; prints of landekips, their idols, saints, pagods, of most ugly serpentine monstrous and hideous shapes, to which they paid devotion; pictures of men and countries rarely painted on a sort of guni'd calico transparent as glasse; flowers, trees, beasts, birds, &c. excellently wrought in a kind of slave silk very naturall; divers drougs that our druggists and physicians could make nothing of, especially one which the Jesuite call'd *Lac Tygridis*, it look'd like a fungus, but was weighty like metall, yet was a concretion or coagulation of some other matter; severall booke MSS.; a grammar of y^e language wrtten in Spanish; with innumerable other rarities.

1 July. Went to see Mr. Povey's* elegant house in Lincoln's-inn-fields, where the perspective in his court, painted by Streeter, is indeede excellent, with y^e vasas in imitation of porphyrie, and fountaines; the inlaying of his closet; above all, his pretty cellar and ranging of his wine bottles.

7. To Court, where I subscribed to S^r Arthur Slingsby's lottery, a desperate debt owing me long since in Paris.

14. I went to take leave of y^e two Mr. Howards, now going for Paris, and brought them as far as Bromley; thence to Eltham, to see S^r John Shaw's new house now building; the place is pleasant if not too wett, but the house not well contriv'd, especially the roofe and roomes too low pitch'd, and the kitchen where the cellars should be; the orangerie and aviarie handsome, & a very large plantation about it.

19. To London to see the event of the lottery which his Maj^y had permitted S^r Arthur Slingsby to set up for one day in the Banqueting House at White-hall. I gaining only a trifle, as well as did the King, Queen-consort and Queen-mother for neare 30 lots, which was thought to be contrived very unhandsomely by the master of it, who was, in truth, a nice shark.

* A Mr. Povey lived at Belliss House in Hampstead in 1673, where he wrote his history of the English Civil War, not trained to the business; he wrote many books, some interesting in their historical and trade, in government offices, &c. (See under 1673, Feb.)

21. I dined with my L. Treasurer at Southampton House, where his Lordship used me with singular humanitie. I went in the afternoone to Chelsey to waite on the Duke of Ormond, and returned to London.

28. Came to see me old Mons^r Zulichem, Secretary to the Prince of Orange, an excellent Latin poet, now neare 80 years of age, a rare Latinist, with Mous^r Oudart.

3 Aug. To London; a concert of excellent musitians, especially one Mr. Berkenshaw, that rare artist who invented a mathematical way of composure very extraordinary, true as to the exact rules of ait, but without much harmonie.

8. Came y^e sad and unexpected newes of y^e death: of Lady Cotton, wife to my brother George, a most excellent lady.

9. Went w^h my brother Richard to Wotton, to visite & comforte my disconsolate brother; and on the 13th saw my friend Mr. Charles Howard at Dipden neere Darking.

16. I went to see S^r W^m Ducie's house at Charleton, which he purchas'd of my excellent friend S^r Hen. Newton, now nobly furnish'd.

22. I went from London to Wotton to assist at the funerall of my sister-in-law, the Lady Cotton, buried in our dormitorie there, she being put up in lead. Dr. Owen made a profitable and pathetic discourse, concluding with an eulogie of that virtuous, pious, and deserving lady. It was a very solemn funerall, with about 50 mourners. I came back next day w^h my wife to London.

2 Sept. Came S^r Constantine Hugens, Dr. Zulichem, S^r Robt. Morris, Mr. Oudart, Mr. Carew, and other friends, to spend the day w^h us.

5 Oct. To our Society. There was brought a new invented instrument of musiq, being a harpsichord with gut strings, sounding like a concert of viols with an organ, made vocal by a wheele, and a zone of parchment that rubb'd horizontally against the strings.

6. I heard the anniversary oration in praise of Dr. Harvey, in the Anatomie Theater in the Coll. of Physitians, after which I was invited by Dr. Alcock the President to a magnificent feast.

7. I dined at S^r Nich. Strood's, one of the Masters of Chancery, in

greate St Bartholomews ; passing y^e evening at White-ball with the Queen, &c.

8. S^r William Curtius, his Ma^rt Resident in Germany, came to visite me ; he was a wise and learned gentleman, and, as he told me, scholar to Henry Alstedius the Encyclopaedist.

15. Din'd at y^e Lo. Chancellors, where was the Duke of Ormond, Earle of Corke, & Bp. of Winchester. After dinner my Lord Chanc^r and his lady carried me in their coach to see their palace* (for he now liv'd at Worcester House in y^e Strand) building at the upper end of St. James's Streete, and to project the garden. In the evening I presented him with my booke of Architecture, as before I had don to his Ma^rt and y^e Queene Mother. His Lordship caus'd me to stay with him in his bed-chamber, discouraging of severall matters very late, even til he was going into his bed.

17. I went with my Lo. Visct, Cornebury to Cornebury in Oxfordshire, to assist him in the planting of the park, and beare him company, with Mr. Belin and Mr. May, in a coach with 6 horses ; din'd at Uxbridge, lay at Wicckam (Wycombe).

18. At Oxford. Went thro' Woodstock, where we beheld the destruction of that royal seate and park by y^e late rebels, and arriv'd that evening at Cornebury, an house lately built by the Earle of Denbigh in y^e middle of a sweete park, wall'd with a dry wall. The house is of excellent freestone abounding in that part, a stone that is fine, but never sweats or casts any damp. 'tis of ample dimensions, has goodly cellars, the paving of y^e hall admirable for its close laying. We design'd an handson chapell that was yet wanting : as Mr. May had the stables, which indeed are very faire, having set out the walkes in the park and gardens. The lodge is a prett y solitude, and the park very convenient ; the parke well stor'd.

20. Hence we went to see y^e famous wells, natural and mineral.

* There is a large View of it engraven. The Chancellor of the chancery of the Exchequer, having built it, on account of the great heat, and the expense, sold it to the Queen, who created it. He had little enjoyment of it, as will be seen hereafter.

grots and fountains, call'd Bushells Wells at Enstone*. This Bushell had ben secretary to my Lo. Verulam. It is an extraordinary solitude. There he had two mummies; a grott where he lay in a hammock like an Indian. Hence we went to Ditchley, an ancient seate of the Lees, now S^r Hen. Lee's; it is a low ancient timber-house, with a pretty bowling greene. My Lady gave us an extraordinary dinner. This gentleman's mother was Countesse of Rochester, who was also there, and Sir Walter Saint John. There were some pictures of their ancestors not ill painted; the great grand-father had ben Kn^t of y^e Garter: there was the picture of a Pope and our Saviour's head. So we return'd to Cornbury.

24. We din'd at S^r Tim. Tyrill's at Shotover. This gent^m married the daughter and heire of Dr. James Usher, Abp. of Armagh, that learned Prelate. There is here in y^e grove a fountaine of y^e coldest water I ever felt, and very cleere.* His plantation of oakes, &c. is very commendable. We went in y^e evening to Oxford, lay at Dr. Hide's, Principal of Magdalen Hall, (related to the Lo. Chancellor) brother to y^e Lord Ch. Justice and that S^r Hen. Hide who lost his head for his loyalty. We were handsomly entertain'd two dayes. The Vice Chancellor, who with Dr. Feil, Deane of Christ Church, the learned Dr. Barlow, Warden of Queenes, and severall heads of houses, came to visite Lord Cornbury (his father being now Chancellor of the University), and next day invited us all to dinner. I went to visite Mr. Boyle (now here), whom I found with Dr. Wallis and Dr. Ch' Wren in the Tower of the Scholes, with an inverted tube or telescope, observing the discus of y^e Sunn for y^e passing of Mercury that day before it, but the latitude was so great that nothing appeared; so we went to see y^e rarities in y^e Library, where the keepers shewed me my name among y^e benefactors. They have a cabinet of some medails, and pictures of y^e muscular parts of man's body. Thence to the new Theater, a building at an exceeding and royal expence by the Lo.

* Bushell published a pamphlet concerning his contributions here; and in Pict's Oxfordshire is an engraving of the rock, the fountain, the belonging to it. See an account of him in the History of Oxford, vol. III. p. 142, and Appendix, note.

Abp. of Canterbury [Sheldon], to keepe the Acts in for the future, till now being in St. Mary's church. The foundation had ben newly laied and the whole design'd by that incomparable genius my worthy friend Dr. Chr^r Wren, who shew'd me the model, not disdaining my advice in some particqlars. Thence to see y^e picture on y^e wall over y^e Altar at All Soules, being the largest piece of fresco painting (or rather in imitation of it, for it is in oil of turpentine) in England, & ill design'd by the hand of one Fuller; yet I feare it will not hold long. It seems too full of nakedes for a chapell.

Thence to New College, and the painting of Magdalen Chapel, which is on blew cloth in *chiara oscuro*, by one Greenborow, being a *Cœna Domini*, and a *Last Judgment* on the wall by Fuller, as is the other, but somewhat varied.

Next to Wadham, and the Physick Garden, where were two large locust trees, and as many platana, and some rare plants under y^e culture of old Bobart*.

26. We came back to Beaconsfield; next day to London, where we dined at the L^d Chancellor's w^b my Lord Bellasis.

27. Being casually in the privy gallery at White-hall, his Maj^y gave me thanks before divers lords and noblemen for my book of Architecture, and againe for my "Sylvn," saying they were the best design'd and usefull for y^e matter and subject, y^e best printed and design'd (meaning y^e *taille douces* of y^e Parallel of Architecture) that he had seene. He then caus'd me to follow him alone to one of y^e windows, and ask'd me if I had any paper about me unwritten, and a crayon; I presented him with both, and then laying it on y^e window-stool, he with his own hands design'd to me the plan for the new building of White-hall, together with the roome of state, and

particulars. After this he talk'd with me of several matters, and asking my advice of many particulars, in w^{ch} I find his Ma^ty had an extraordinary talent becoming a magnificent prince.

The same day at Council, there being Commissioners to be made to take care of such Sick and Wounded and Prisoners of war as might be expected upon occasion of a succeeding war and action at sea; war being already declar'd against y^e Hollanders, his Ma^ty was pleas'd to nominate me to be one, with three other gentlemen, Parliament men, viz. S^r W^m Doily Knt. and Bart. S^r Tho. Clifford*, and Bullein Rheymes Esq.; with a salary £1200 a year amongst us, besides extraordinaries for our care and attention in time of station, each of us being appointed to a particular district, mine falling out to be Kent and Sussex, with power to constitute officers, physitians, chirurgeons, provost marshals, and to dispose of halfe of the hospitals thro' England. After y^e Council we kiss'd his Ma^ty's hand. At this Council I heard Mr. Solicitor Finch + plead most elegantly for the Merchants trading to the Canaries, praying for a new Charter.

29. Was y^e most magnificent triumph by water and land of y^e Lord Maior. I din'd at Goild-hall at y^e upper table, plac'd next to S^r H. Bennett, Secretary of State, opposite to my Lo. Chancellor and the Duke of Buckingham who sat betweene Mons^r Comminges the French Ambass^t, Lord Treasurer, the Dukes of Ormond and Albemarle, Earl of Manchester Lord Chamberlaine, and the rest of y^e great Officers of State. My Lord Major came twice up to us, first drinking in the golden goblett his Ma^tly health, then the French King's as a compliment to the Ambass^t; then we return'd my Lo. Maior's health, the trumpets and drums sounding. The cheere was not to be imagined for the plenty and variety, with an infinite number of persons at the rest of the tables in that ample hall. The feast was said to cost £1000. I slept away in y^e crowd, and came home late.

31. I was then near 14 years of age, for which I returned thanks to Almighty God, beseeching his mercifull protection for the yeare to come.

* Now Lord President of the Council.
† Second Sonnes. The feaste of this day was called "London's Triumph, prepared at the cost of the Merchants."

+ Afterwards Earl of Nottingham, Lord Chancellor.
John Taylor, M.D., wrote a Poem on this day, written by John Taylor, Gent."

2 Nov. Her Ma^y the Queen Mother came across the gallerie in White-hall to give me thanks for my book of Architecture which I had presented to her, with a compliment that I did by no means deserve.

16. We chose our Treasurer, Clearks, and Messengers, and appointed our seal w^{ch} I order'd should bo the good Samaritan, with this motto, *Fac similiter*. Painters Hall was lent us to meeet in. In the greate roome were divers pictures, some reasonably good, that had ben given to the Company by several of y' Wardens and Masters of the Company.

23. Our Statutes now finished, were read before a full assembly of the Royall Society.

24. His Ma^y was pleas'd to tell me what the conference was with the Holland Ambassador, which, as after I found, was the heads of the speech he made at the re-convention of the Parliam', which now began.

2 Dec. We deliver'd the Privy Council's letters to the Gov^r of St. Thomas's Hospital in Southwark, that a moiety of the houses should be reserv'd for such sick and wounded as should from time to time be sent from the Fleete during the war. This being deliver'd at their Court, the President and several Aldermen, Governors of that Hospital, invited us to a greate feaste in Fishmongers Hall.

20. To London our last sitting, taking order for our personal visiting our severall districts. I dined at Capt. Cock's (our Treasurer), w^{ch} that most ingenious gent Matthew Wren, sonn to the Bp^r of Ely, and Mr. Joseph Williamson, since Secretary of State.

22. I went to y^t launching of a new ship of two bottomes, mounted by S^r W^m Petty, on which were various opinions. His Ma^y being present gave her the name of The Experiment: so I returned home, where I found Sir Humphry Winch, who spent the day with me.

This yeare I planted the lower grove next the road at my selfe cost. It was now exceeding cold and a hard long frosty winter, so the Comet was very visible.

28. Some of my poore neighbours about town payed me a visit, and I told them of my tennants, according to my annual custome.

31. Set my affaires in order, gave God praise for his mercys the past year, and prepared for the reception of the Holy Sacrament, which I partook of the next day after hearing our Minister on the 4th Galatians 4. 5. of the Mysterie of our Blessed Saviours Incarnation.

1665. 2 Jan. This day was publish'd by me that part of* "The Mysterie of Jesuitism" translated and collected by me, tho' without my name, containing the Imaginari Heresy, with 4 letters and other pieces.

4. I went in a coach, it being excessive sharp frost and snow, towards Dover and other parts of Kent, to settle physitians, chirurgeons, agents, marshals, and other officers in all the Sea Ports, to take care of

* In a letter to Lord Cornbury 3 Jan. 1664, Mr. Evelyn says, "I came to present yr Lordship with yr owne books [in the margin is written, 'The other part of the Mystery of Jesuitism translated and publish'd by me']: I left it with my Lord yr father, because I would not suffer it to be publicq till he had first seen it, who, on yr Ls score, has so just a title to it. The particulars whch you will find added after the 4th letter are extracted out of severall curious papers and passages lyng by me, which for being very opposite to ye. controversy, I thought fit to annex in danger otherwise to have never ben produc'd."—In another letter to Lord Cornbury, 9 Feb. 1664, Mr. Evelyn says he undertook the Translation by command of his Lordship and of his father the Lord Chancellor (see vol. II. p. 142.)

The Authors of the "Biographia Britannica" speak of "The Mystery of Jesuitism" as one volume; but in the library at Wotton there are three, in duodecimo, with the following titles and contents: the second in order is that translated by Mr. Evelyn.

1. *Les Provinciales, or, the Mystery of Jesuitisme, discovered in certain Letters written upon occasion of the present difference at Sorbonne between the Jansenists and the Molinists, displaying the pernicious Maxims of the late Casuists.* London: Printed for Richard Royston, and are to be sold by Robert Clavel at the Sign of the Head near St. Gregorie's Church in St. Paul's Churchyard, 1658.—pp. 360. Additional, pp. 147. At the end are the names of some of the most eminent Casuists.

2. *Morogos vs. Asquier.* That is, *Another Part of the Mystery of Jesuitism; or the new Heresie of the Jesuites, publickly maintained at Paris, in the College of Clermont, the xii of December MDCLXII, declared to all the Bishops of France.* According to the copy printed at Paris. Together with the *Imaginari Heresy,* in three Letters, with divers other particulars relating to the abominable Maxims. Never before published in English. London: Printed by James Flesher, for Richard Royston, bookeller to his most sacred Majestie, 1664.—3 letters, pp. 200. Copy of a Letter from the reverd Father Valentin, a Capuchin, to Pope Alex^t 7th, pp. 207—239. The sense of the French Church, pp. 240—254.

3. *The Moral Principles of the Jesuits demonstrated by many remarkable histories of their actions in all parts of the world.* Collected either from books of the greatest authority, or most certain and unquestionable authors and memorials. By the Doctors of the Sorbonne. Faithfully translat'd into English by Dr. Thomas Mayhew, under 1676, Oct. 1st. London: Printed for Simon Miller at the Sign of the West Gate of St. Paul's. 1670.

such as should be set on shore, wounded, sick, or prisoners, in pursuance of our Commission reaching from the North Foreland in Kent to Portsmouth in Hampshire. The rest of y^e Ports in England were allotted to y^e other Commiss^{rs}. That evening I came to Rochester, where I deliver'd the Privy Council's letter to the Maior to receive orders from me.

5. I ariv'd at Canterbury, and went to the Cathedral, exceedingly well repair'd since his Ma^{ys} returne.

6. To Dover, where Col. Stronde Lieut^t of the Castle, having receiv'd the letter I brought him from the Duke of Albemarle, made me lodge in it, and I was splendidly treated, assisting me from place to place. Here I settled my first Deputy. The Maior and Officers of the Costomes were very civil to me.—9. To Deal.—10. To Sandwich, a pretty towne, about 2 miles from the sea. The Maior and Officers of the Costomes were very diligent to serve me. I visited the Forts in y^r way, and return'd that night to Canterbury.

11. To Rochester, when I tooke order to settle officers at Chatham.—12. To Gravesend, and return'd home. A cold, busy, but not unpleasant journey.

25. This night being at White-ball, his Ma^y came to me standing in the withdrawing roome, and gave me thanks for publishing "The Mysterie of Jesuitism," which he said he had carried two dayes in his pocket, read it, and encouraged me; at which I did not a little wonder; I suppose S^r Ro^l Morray had given it to him.

27. Dined at the Lord Chancellor's, who caus'd me after dinner to sit 2 or 3 hours alone with him in his bed-chamber.

2 Feb. I saw a masq perform'd at Court by 6 gentlemen and 6 ladys, surprizing his Maj^y, it being Candlemas-day.

8. Ash-Wednesday. I visited our prisoners at Chatham Colledge, and to examine how the Martial and Suttlers behav'd. These were prisoners taken in the warr; they only complain'd that their bread was too fine. I dined at S^r Henry Herbert's, Master of the Revelles.

9. Din'd at my Lo. Treasurer's, the Bishop of Southampton, in Bournesbury, where he was building a newe Bishop's Palace.

* The Italians do not mean what we do by Pleasure, they call it Joye.

Towne; his owne house stands too low, some noble roomes, a pretty cedar-chappell, a naked garden to the North, but good aire*. I had much discoursed with his Lordship, whom I found to be a person of extraordinary parts, but *valetudinarie*.—I went to St. James's Parke, where I saw various animals, and examined the throate of y^e *Onocrotalus* or Pelican, a fowle betweene a Stork and a Swan; a melancholy water-fowl brought from Astracan by the Russian Ambassador, it was diverting to see how he would toss up and turn a flat fish, plaice or flounder, to get it right into its gullet at its lower beak, w^{ch} being filmy, stretches to a prodigious wideness when it devours a great fish. Here was also a small water-fowl not bigger than a more-hen, that went almost quite erect like the penguin of America; it would eate as much fish as its whole body weigh'd, I never saw so unsatiable a devourer, yet y^e body did not appear to swell the bigger. The Solan geese here also are greate devourers, and are said soon to exhaust all y^e fish in a pond. Here was a curious sort of poultry not much exceeding the size of a tame pigeon, with legs so short as their crops seem'd to touch y^e earth; a milk-white raven; a stork which was a rarity at this season, seeing he was loose and could flie loftily; two Balearian cranes, one of which having had one of his leggs broken and cut off above the knee, had a wooden or boxit leg and thigh, with a joynit so accurately made that y^e creature could walke and use it as well as if it had ben natural; it was made by a scoldier. The Parke was at this time stored with numerous stucks of severall sorts of ordinary and extraordinary wild fowle, breeding about the Decoy, which for being neere so greate a City, and among such a concourse of souldiers and people, is a singular and diverting thing. There were also deere of severall countries, white, spotted like leopards; antelopes; an elk; red deere; roebucks; staggs; Guinea goates; Arabian sheepe, &c. There were withy-potts or nests for the wild fowle to lay their eggs in, a little above y^e surface of y^e water.

* Afterwards it was called Russell's House, being the town residence for many years of the Russell family, who were called Dukes 1600, and on the site and the adjoining fields were erected several handsome houses, now called Russell Square, Bedford Place, Russell Place, &c.

23. I was invited to a greate feast at Mr. Rich's (a relation of my wife's, now Reader at Lincoln's Inn); where was the Duke of Monmouth, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Bishaps of London and Winchester, the Speaker of the House of Commons, divers of the Judges, and severall other greate men.

24. Dr. Fell, Canon of Christ Church, preach'd before the King on 15 Romaus 2, a very formal discourse, and in blank verse, according to his manner; however he is a good man.—Mr. Philips, preceptor to my sonn, went to be with the Earle of Pembroke's sonn, my Lord Herbert.

2 March. I went with his Ma^y into the lobbie behind the House of Lords, where I saw the King and rest of the Lords robe themselves, and got into the Lords House in a corner neere the wool sack on w^{ch} the Lord Chancellor sits next below the Throne; the King sate in all the regalia, the crown imperial on his head, the scepter and globe, &c. The D. of Albemarle bare the sword, the D. of Ormond the cap of dignity. The rest of the Lords robed and in their places:—a most splendid and august convention. Then came the Speaker and the House of Commons, and at the barr made a speech, and afterwards presented severall bills, a nod onely passing them, the Cleark saying *Le Roy le veult*; as to publick bills; as to private, *Soit faict comme il est desire*. Then his Ma^y made a handsome but short speech, commanding my Lo. Privy Seale to prorogue the Parlian^t, which he did, the Chancellor being ill and absent. I had not before seen this ceremony.

9. I went to receive the poore creatures that were saved out of the London fregat, blowne up by accident with above 200 men.

29 Mar. Went to Goring House*, now Mr. Secretary Bennett's ill built, but the place capable of being made a pretty villa. His Ma^y was now finishing the Decoy in the Parke.

2 April. Took order about some prisoners sent from Capt. Allan's ship, taken in the Solomon, wth the brave man who defended her so gallantly.

* On the site whereof Arlington Street is now built. There is a small printe of the house.

5. Was a day of public humiliation and for successe of this terrible war, begun doubtlesse at secret instigation of the French to weaken the States and Protestant interest. Prodigious preparations on both sides.

6. In the afternoone I saw acted "Mustapha," a tragedy written by y^r Earle of Orrery.

11. To London, being now left the onely Commiss^r to take all necessary orders how to exchange, remove, and keepe prisoners, dispose of hospitalls, &c. the rest of the Commiss^rs being gone to their severall districts, in expectation of a suddaine engagement.

19. Invited to a greate dinuer at the Trinity House, where I had businesse with the Commiss^r of the Navy, and to receive the second £5,000. imprest for the service of the sick and wounded prisoners.

20. To White-hall to y^r King, who called me into his bed chamber as he was dressing, to whom I shew'd the letter written to me from the Duke of York from the fleete, giving me notice of Young Evertson, and some other considerable commanders newly taken in fight with y^r Dartmouth and Diamond frigats*, whon he had sent me as prisoners at war; I went to know of his Ma^y how he would have me treate them,

* In the publication of the Life of King James II. from his own papers (printed 1816), after describing the engagement with the Dutch fleet in 1665, he says, "Soon after this three Dutch men of war, which had been seen for some time to the windward of us, and were looking out for their own fleet, bore down in order to join it. One of them was a great ship of above 80 guns, which for want of some repairs had been left by Cornelius Evertson to his son, with orders to follow; the other two were not of the same force. These being to windward, endeavoured to join the head of their fleet, and young Evertson being a mettled man, and having a mind to distinguish himself, resolved to run on board of the Plymouth, hoping to bear her down; but Sir Tho. Allen, perceiving by Evertson's working what his design was, brought his ship to at once, so that Evertson miss'd his aim, tho' he came so near it that the yard-arms of both ships touch'd, and they gave each other a severe broadside in passing; after which Evertson and the other two made a shift to join their own fleet, and Sir Tho. Allen continued leading as before, till finding himself extremely disabled, he was forced to ly by." P. 410 — "After this engagement was over, and the Dutch had retired to their own ports, the Duke of York had brought back the English fleet to the Nore, he took care to have his Scouts abroad, two of which, the Diamond Capt. Golding, and the Yarmouth Capt. Ayliffe, being sent to observe the motions of the Dutch, they happened to meet with two of the Direction Ships (as the Dutch call them) of 40 or guns each; the biggest was commanded by one Maasters, the other by young Cornelius Evertson, who, tho' ours were of somewhat better force, did not avoid engaging. At the first broadside Golding was slain; but his Lieut. Davis managed the fight so well, as did the Capt. of the Yarmouth, that after some hours dispute, both the Dutch ships were taken, tho' bravely defend'd, for they lost many men and were very much

when he commanded me to bring the young Captain to him, and to take the word of the Dutch Ambass^t (who yet remained here) for the other, that he should render himself to me whenever I called on him, and not stir without leave. Upon w^{ch} I desir'd more guards, the prison being Chelsey House. I went also to Lord Arlington (the Secretary Bennett lately made a Lord) about other businesse. Dined at my Lord Chancellor's, none with him but S^r Sackville Crowe, formerly Ambass^t at Constantinople; we were very chearfull and merry.

24. I presented young Capt. Evertson (eldest son of Cornelius, Vice Admiral of Zealand, and nephew of John, now Admiral, a most valiant person) to his Ma^t in his bed-chamber; the King gave him his hand to kisse, and restored him his liberty; ask'd many questions concerning the fight (it being y^e first bloud drawne), his Ma^t remembering the many civilities he had formerly receiv'd from his relations abroad, who had now so much interest in that considerable Province. Then I was commanded to go with him to the Holland Ambass^t, where he was to stay for his passport, and I was to give him 50 pieces in broad-gold. Next day I had the Ambass^t' parole for y^e other Captain, taken in Capt. Allen's fight before Cales. I gave the King an account of what I had don, and afterwards ask'd y^e same favour for another Captain, which his Ma^t gave me.

28 April. I went to Tunbridge, to see a solemn exercise at the free schoole there*.

Having taken orders with my martial about my prisoners, and with the doctor and chirurgeon to attend the wounded enemies, and of our

disabled before they struck. The Duke gave young Evertson his liberty; in consideration of his father Cornelius, who had performed severall services for the K. before his Restoration, and his R. H. freed also the other Captain for having defended himself so well, and made Capt. Davis Capt. of one of those prizes." P. 419.

* There is an annual visitation by the Skinners Company of London, who are the puritors, at which verses, themes, &c. are spoken before them by the senior scholars. The Rev. Thomas Knox (D. D. by an American University), author of many works, some of which have gone through many editions, was master from about 1779 to 1812, when he resigned in favour of Mr. John the Rev. Thomas Knox.

+ I. e. he recommended it to the King to do so, for no man durst venture to do it, and command it, till Mr. Evelyn.

owne men, I went to London again and visited my charge, severall with legs and arms off; miserable objects God knows!

16 May. To London to consider of the poore orphans and widows made by this bloody beginning, and whose husbands and relations perished in the London fregat, of which there were 50 widows and 45 of them with child.

26. To treat with y^e Holland Ambass^t at Chelsey for release of divers prisoners of warr in Holland on exchange here. After dinner being call'd into the Council Chamber at White-hall, I gave his Ma^t an account of what I had don, informing him of y^e vast charge upon us, now amounting to no less than £.1000 weekly.

29. I went with my little boy to visite my district in Kent, to make up accompts with my officers. Visited the Governor at Dover Castle, where were some of my prisoners.

3 June. In my return went to Graves-end; the Fleets being just now engaged, gave special orders for my officers to be ready to receive the wounded and prisoners.

5. To London, to speak with his Ma^t and the Duke of Albemarle for horse and foote guards for the prisoners at warr, committed more particularly to my charge by a Commission apart.

8. I went againe to his Grace, thence to the Council, and mov'd for another privy seale for £.20,000, and that I might have the disposal of y^e Savoy Hospital for the sick and wounded, all which was granted. Hence to y^e Royal Society to refreshe among y^e Philosophers.

Came newes of his Highness's victory, which indeede might have ben a compleate one, and at once ended y^e warr, had it ben pursued, but the cowardice of some, or treachery, or both, frustrated that. We had however bonfires, bells and rejoicing in the City. Next day the 9th I had instant orders to repaire to the Downes, so as I got to Rochester this evening. Next day I lay at Deale, where I found all in readinesse; but the Fleet being hindred by contrary winds I came away on the 12th and went to Dover, and returned to Deale; and on the 13th hearing the Fleet was at Solebay, I went homeward, and lay at Chatham, and the 14th I got home. On the 15th came the eldest son of the present Secretary of State to the French King, with much other

companie, to dine with me. After dinner I went with him to London, to speake to my Lord Gen^r for more guards, and gave his Ma^r an ac-
count of my journey to the Coasts under my inspection. I also waited
on his R^t Highnesse, now come triumphant from the Fleete, gotten in to
repaire. See the whole history of this conflict in my History of y^e
Dutch Warr.

20. To London, and represented the state of the sick and wounded
to his Ma^r in Council, for want of mony; he order'd I should apply to
my Lo^r Treass^r and Chancellor of the Exchequer, upon what funds to
raise the mony promised. We also presented to his Ma^r divers expe-
dients for retrenchment of y^e charge.

This evening making my court to the Duke, I spake to Mons^r Co-
minges the French Ambass^r, and his Highness granted me six pri-
soners, Emdeners, who were desirous to go to the Barbados with a
merchant.

22. We waited on the Chanc^r of the Excheq^r, and got an order of
Council for our mony to be paid to the Treasurer of the Navy for our
Receivers.

23. I din'd with S^r Rob^r Paston since Earle of Yarmouth, and saw
the Duke of Verneville base brother to the Q^r Mother, a handsom old
man, a greate hunter.

The Duke of Yorke told us that when they were in fight, his dog
sought out absolutely y^e very securest place in all y^e vessall. — In the
afternoone I saw the pompos reception and audience of El Conde de
Molino, the Spanish Ambass^r, in the Banqueting-house, both their
Ma^{ts} sitting together under the canopy of state.

30. To Chatham; and 1 July, to the Fleete with James Chapman,
now Admiral, with whom I went in a pinnace to the flagg of the Navy,
where the whole Fleete lay at anker; went on board the Prince of 90
brasse ordnance, happily the best ship in the world both for building
and sailing; she had 700 men. They made a great fire on board in
our approch 3 times. Here we dined with many appoynted gentlemen
and volunteers, served in plain and excellent manner of all sorte. After
dinner came his Majestie, the Duke, and Prince Rupert. Here I saw
the King knight Capt^r Custance for bearing so boldly in the late

fight. It was surprizing to behold the good order, decency, and plenty of all things in a vessell so full of men. The ship received an hundred cannon shot in her body. Then I went on board the Charles, to which, after a gun was shot off, came all the Flag-officers to his Ma^y, who there held a Generall Council, w^{ch} determin'd that his R. Highnesse should adventure himself no more this Summer. I came away late, having seene the most glorious Fleet that ever spread sailes. We returned in his Ma^y's yatch with my Lo. Sandwich and Mr. Vice-Chamberlaine, landing at Chatham on Sunday morning.

5 July. I tooke order for 150 men who had ben recovered of their wounds, to be carried on-board the Clove Tree, Carolus Quintus, and Zeland, ships that had ben taken by us in the fight; and so return'd home.

7. To London, to S^r W^m Coventrie; and so to Sion, where his Ma^y sat at Council during the contagion; when busines was over, I viewed that seat belonging to y^e Earle of Northumberland, built out of an old Nunnerie, of stone, and faire enough, but more celebrated for the garden than it deserves; yet there is excellent wall-fruit, and a pretty fountain; nothing else extraordinarie.

9. I went to Hampton Court, where now the whole Court was, to solicite for mony; to carry intercepted letters; confer again with S^r W^m Coventrie, the Duke's secretary; and so home, having din'd with Mr. Secretary Morice.

16. July. There died of the plague in London this weeke 1100, and in the weeke following above 2000. 2 houses were shut up in our parish.

2 Aug. A solemn fast thro' England to deprecate God's displeasure against the land by pestilence and war; our D^r. preaching on 26 Levit: 41, 42. that the meanes to obtaine remission of punishment was not to repine at it, but humbly to submit to it.

3. Came his Grace the Duke of Albemarle, L. Generall of all his Majesties Forces, to visite me, and carried me to dine with him.

4. I went to Wotton to carry my sonn and his tutor Mr. Botton, Fellow of New Coll. (recommended to me by Dr. Wilkins and the Pres^r of New Coll. Oxf^r), for feare of the pestilence, still increasing in

London and its environs. On my returne I call'd at Dartford, where I found Dr. Wilkins, S^r W^m Petty, and Mr. Hooke, contriving charrois, new rigging for ships, a wheel for one to gun rates in, and other mechanical inventions; perhaps three such persons together were not to be found elsewhere in Europe, for parts and ingenuity.

8. I waited on the D^r of Albemarle, who was resolved to stay at the Cock-pit in St. James's Parke. Died this week in London 4000.

15. There perished this week 5000.

28. The contagion still increasing and growing now all about us, I sent my wife and whole family (two or three necessary servants excepted) to my brother's at Wotton, being resolved to stay at my house myselfe and to looke after my charge, trusting in the providence and goodnesse of God.

5 Sept. To Chatham to inspect my charge, with 900L in my coach.

7. Came home, there perishing neere 10,000 poore creatures weekly; however I went all along the Citty and suburbs from Kent Streets to St. James's, a dismal passage, and dangerous to see so many carcasses expos'd in the streetes, now thin of people; the shops shut up, and all in mournful silence, as not knowing whose turn might be next. I went to y^e Duke of Albemarle for a pest ship, to wait on our infected men, who were not a few.

14. I went to Wotton; and on 18 Sept. to visite old Secretary Nicholas, being now at his new purchase of West Horsley, once mortgag'd to me by Lord Vis^r Montagu: a pretty drie seat on y^e Downe.

Return'd to Wotton.

17. Receiving a letter from Lord Sandwich of a defeat given to Dutch, I was forc'd to travell all Sunday. I was exceedingly surprized to find that neere 3000 prisoners were sent to me to dispose of, there being more than I had places fit to receive and guard.

25. My Lord Adm^r being come from y^e Rocke to Greenwich, I went thence with him to y^e Cock-pit to consult with the Duke of Albemarle. I was peremptory that unless we had 100,000 men distantly, the prisoners would starve, and make themselves fit to be rais'd out of the E. India prison now taken by the rebels, there being but two of y^e Commission, and so not answerable.

sent an ~~express~~^{espresso} to his Mat^y and Council to know what they should do. In the meane time I had 5 vessels with competent guards to keepe the prisoners in for y^e present, to be placed as I should think best. After dinner (w^{ch} was at the Gen^l) I went over to visite his Grace the A. Bishop of Canterbury at Lambeth.

28. To the Generall againe, to acquaint him of y^e deplorable state of our men for want of provisions; return'd with orders.

29. To Erith to quicken y^e sale of y^e prizes lying there, with order to y^e Commiss^r who lay on board till they should be dispos'd of, 5000l. being proportion'd for my quarter. Then I deliver'd y^e Dutch Vice Adm^l, who was my prisoner, to Mr. Lo.* of y^e Marshalsea, he giving me bond in 500l. to produce him at my call. I exceedingly pittied this brave unhappy person, who had lost with these prizes 40,000l. after 20 yeares negotiation [trading] in y^e East Indies. I din'd in one of these vessells, of 1200 tons, full of riches.

1 October. This afternoone, whilst at evening prayers, tidings were brought me of the birth of a daughter at Wotton, after six sonns, in the same chamber I had first tooke breath in, and at the first day of that moneth, as I was on the last, 45 years before. —4. The monthly fast.

11. To London; and went thro' y^e whole City, having occasion to alight out of the coach in several places about buisinesse of money, when I was environ'd with multitudes of poore pestiferous creatures begging almes; the shops univerasly shut up, a dreadful prospect! I din'd with my Lo. General; was to receive 10,000l. and had guards to convey both myselfe and it, and so returned home, thro' God's infinite mercy.

17. I went to Gravesend, next day to Chatham, thence to Maidstone, in order to y^e march of 500 prisoners to Leeds Castle, which I had hired of Lord Culpeper. I was earnestly desir'd by the learned Sir Roger Twisden and Deputy Lieutenants to spare Maidstone from quartering any of my sick flock. Here S^r Edw. Brett sent me some horse to bring up y^e rearre. This country from Rochester to Maidstone by the Medway and the Downe is very agreeable for the prospect.

21. I came from Gravesend, where Sir Jo. Griffith, the Governor of the Port, entertain'd me very handsomely.

31. I was this day 45 years of age, wonderfully preserved, for which I blessed God for his infinite goodness towards me.

23 Nov. Went home, the contagion having now decreas'd considerably.

27. The Duke of Albemarle was going to Oxford, where both Court and Parliament had ben most part of y^e summer. There was no small suspicion of my Lord Sandwich having permitted divers commanders who were at y^e taking of y^e East India prizes; to break bulk and take to themselves jewels, silkes, &c.: tho' I believe some whom I could name fill'd their pockets, my Lo. Sandwich himselfe had the least share. However he underwent the blame, and it created him enemies, and prepossess'd y^e Lo. Gen^t, for he spake to me of it with much zeale and concerne, and I believe laid load enough on Lo. Sandwich at Oxford.

8 Dec. To my Lo. of Albemarle (now return'd from Oxon), who was declar'd Generall at Sea, to y^e no small mortification of that excellent person the Earle of Sandwich, whom y^e Duke of Albemarle not onely suspected faulty about y^e prizes, but less valiant; himselfe imaginig how easie a thing it were to confound the ~~Hollanders~~, as well now as heretofore he fought against them upon a more disloyal interest.

25. Kept Christmas with my hospitable brother at Wotton.

30. To Woodcote, when I supp'd at my Lady Mordaunt's at Ashford, where was a roome hung with *Pintado*, full of figures great and small, prettily representing sundry trades and occupations of y^e Indians, with their habits; here supp'd also Dr. Duke, a learned and facetious gentleman.

31. Now blessed be God for his extraordinary mercies and preservation of me this yeare, when thousands and ten thousand perished and were swept away on each side of me, there dying in our parish this yeare 406 of y^e pestilence!

1666. 3 Jan. I supp'd in None such House*, whether the office of

* There is a small print of it in Speed's Map of Surrey, but a larger one in the British Collection of Views, some in England, but chiefly abroad. See also the "Environs of London," edit. 1796, vol. I. p. 153.

the Exchequer was transferr'd during the plague, at my good friend's Mr. Packer's, and tooke an exact view of y^e plaster statues and bass relievos inserted 'twixt the timbers and punchions of the outside walles of the Court; which must needs have ben the work of some celebrated Italian. I much admir'd how it had lasted so well and intire since the time of Hen. VIII. expos'd as they are to the aire; and pitty it is they are not taken out and preserv'd in some drie place; a gallerie would become them. There are some mezzo-relievos as big as the life, the storie is of y^e Heathen Gods, emblems, compartments, &c. The Palace consists of two courts, of which the first is of stone, castle-like, by y^e Lo. Lemlies (of whom 'twas purchas'd), y^e other of timber, a Gotiq fabric, but these walls incomparably beautified. I observ'd that the appearing timber punchions, entrellices, &c. were all so cover'd with scales of slate, that it seem'd carv'd in the wood and painted, y^e slate fastened on the timber in pretty figures, that has, like a coate of armour, preserv'd it from rotting. There stand in the garden two handsome stone pyramids, and the avenue planted with rows of faire elmes, but the rest of these goodly trees, both of this and of Worcester Park adjoyning, were fell'd by those destructive and avaricious rebels in the late warr, w^{ch} defac'd one of the stateliest seates his Ma^y had.

12. After much, and indeede extraordinary mirth and cheere, all my brothers, our wives, and children being together, and after much sorrow and trouble during this Contagion, which seperated our families as well as others, I return'd to my house, but my wife went back to Wotton, I not as yet willing to adventure her, the Contagion, tho' exceedingly abated, not as yet wholly extinguished amongst us.

29. I went to waite on his Ma^y, now return'd from Oxford to Hampton Court, where the Duke of Albemarle presented me to him; he ran towards me, and in a most gracious manner gave me his hand to kisse, with many thanks for my care and faithfulness in his service in a time of such greate danger, whien every body fled their employments; he told me he was much oblig'd to me, and said he was severall times concern'd for me, and the peri I underwent, and did receive my service most acceptably (tho' in truth I did but do my duty, and O that I had perform'd it as I ought b^y) After this his Ma^y was pleas'd to talke with

me alone, peere an houre, of severall particulars of my employmēt, and order'd me to attend him againe on the Thursday following at Whitehall. Then the Duke came towards me, and embrac'd me with much kindnesse, telling me if he had thought my danger would have ben so greate, he would not have suffer'd his Ma^y to employ me in that station. Then came to salute me my Lo. of St. Albans, Lord Arlington, Sir W^m. Coventrie, and severall greate persons; after which I got home, not being very well in health.

The Court was now in deepe mourning for the French Queen Mother.

2 Feb. To London, his Ma^y now come to White-hall, where I heard and saw my Lo. Maior (and breathren) make his speech of wel-
come, and the two Sheriffs were knighted.

6. My wife and family return'd to me from the country, where they had ben since August, by reason of the contagion, now almost universally ceasing. Blessed be God for his infinite mercy in preserv-
ing us! I having gone thro' so much danger, and lost so many of my
poore officers, escaping still myselfe, that I might live to recount and
magnifie his goodnessse to me.

8. I had another gracious reception by his Ma^y who call'd me into
his bed-chamber, to lay before and describe to him my project of an
Infirmarie, w^{ch} I read to him, who with greate approbation, recom-
mended it to his R. Highnesse.

20 Feb. To y^e Commiss^r of the Navy, who having scene the project
of the Infirmary, encourag'd the work, and were very earnest it shoulde
be set about immediately; but I saw no mony, tho' a very moderate
expense would have saved thousands to his Ma^y, and ben much more
commodious for the cure and quartering our sick and wounded, than
the dispersing them into private houses, where many more nurses
and attendants were necessary, and y^e people tempred to do so.

21. Went to my Lo. Treas^r for an assignation of about 1000 l. a year,
two last quarters for support of the next years charges. Also to the
Duke of Albemarle and Secretary of State, to present them to propose
to y^e Council.

1 Mar. To London and presented the same, and made some

"The pernicious Consequences of the new Heresy of the Jesuits against Kings and States."*

7. Dr. Sandrost, since Abp. of Canterbry, preached before the King about the identity and immutability of God, on 102 Psalm 27.

13. To Chatham, to view a place design'd for an Infirarie.

15. - My charge now amounted to neere £7000 [weekly.]

22. The Royal Society re-assembled after the dispersion from the contagion.

24. Sent £2000 to Chatham.

1. Aprill. To London, to consult about ordering the natural rarities belonging to y^e repositorie of the Royall Society; referred to a Committee.

10. Visited S^r W^m D'Oylie, surprized with a fit of apoplexie, and in extreme danger.

11. Dr. Bathurst preached before the King, from "I say unto you all, watch"—a seasonable and most excellent discourse. When his Ma^y came from Chapell, he call'd to me in the Lobby, and told me he must now have me sworn for a Justice of Peace (having long since made me of the Commission), w^{ch} I declin'd as inconsistent with the other service I was engag'd in, and humbly desired to be excused. After dinner, waiting on him, I gave him the first notice of the Spaniards referring the umpirage of the Peace 'twixt them and Portugal to the French King, which came to me in a letter from France before y^e Secretaries of State had any newes of it. After this his Majestie againe asked me if I had found out any able person about our parts that might supply my place of Justice of Peace (the office in the world I had most industriously avoided, in regard of the perpetual trouble thereoff in those numerous parishes), on w^{ch} I nominated one, whom the King command'd me to give immediate notice of to my L^d Chancellor, and I should be excus'd; for which I render'd his Ma^y many thanks.—From thence I went to the R^t Society, where I was chosen by 27 voices to be one of their Council for y^e ensuing years; but upon my earnest

suite; in respect of my other affaires, I got to be excused; — and so home.

13. Our parish was now more infected with the plague than ever, and so was all the countrie about, tho' almost quite ceas'd at London.

24. To London about our Mint Commission, and sat in the inner Court of Wards.

8 May. To Queenboro', where finding the Richmond Fregat, I sail'd to the Buoy of the Nore to my Lo. Genl. and Prince Rupert, where was the rendezvous of the most glorious Fleet in the world, now preparing to meeete y^e Hollander. — Went to visite my Co. Hales at a sweetly-water'd place at Chilston neere Bockton. The next morning to Leedes Castle, once a famous hold, now hired by me of my Lord Culpeper for a prisón. Here I flowed the drie moate, made a new drawbridge, brought spring water into the court of y^e castle to an old fountaine; and tooke order for y^e repaires.

22. Waited on my Lo. Chancellor at his new palace; and Lord Berkeley's built next to it.

24. Dined with Lord Cornbury, now made L. Chamberlaine to the Queene; who kept a very honorable table.

1 June. Being in my garden at 6 o'clock in the evening, and hearing y^e greate gunns go thick off, I tooke horse, and rode that night to Rochester; thence next day towards y^e Dowpes and sea-coast; but meeting y^e Lieut^t of the Hampshire Fregat, who told me what pass'd, or rather what had not pass'd, I return'd to London, there being no noise or appearance at Deale, or on that coast, of any engagement. Recounting this to his Ma^y, whom I found at St. James's Park, impatiently expecting, and knowing that Prince Rupert was soon after 3 at St. Helen's Point at N. of the Isle of Wight, it greatly surpris'd him; but he was astonish'd when I assur'd him they knew nothing of the guns in y^e Downs, nor did the Lieutenant, who had been up at that morning.

3 June. Whitsunday. After sermon came the news that the Duke of Albemarle was still in fight, and had been all night under arms; and that Hartman's ship (the Heurie) was like to be burnt. When I told Mr. Bertie that Pr. Rupert was come up with his armada of gunnes,

to my former advice of his being loose and in the way), and put new courage into our Fleete, now in a manner yielding ground, so that now we were chasing the chasers; that the Duke of Albemarle was slightly wounded, and y^e rest still in greate danger. So having been much wearied with my journey, I slipp'd home, the gunns still roaring very fiercely.

5. I went this morning to London, where came severall particulars of the fight.

6. Came S^r Dan. Harvey from the Gen^l, and related the dreadfull encounter, on which his Ma^v commanded me to dispatch an extraordinary physician and more chirurgeons. Twas on the solenin fast day when y^e newes came; his Ma^v being in the Chapell, made a suddaine stop to heare the relation, which being with much advantage on our side, his Ma^v commanded that publiq thanks should immediately be given as for a victory. The Deane of the Chapell going down to give notice of it to the other Deane officiating; and notice was likewise sent to St. Paul's and Westminster Abby. But this was no sooner over, than newes came that our losse was very greate both in ships and men; that the Prince fregat was burnt, and as noble a vessell of 90 brass guns lost, and y^e taking of St. Geo. Ayscue, and exceeding shattering of both Fleetes, so as both being obstinate, both parted rather for want of ammunition and tackle than courage, our Gen^l retreating like a lyon; which exceedingly abated of our former joy. There was however order given for bonfires and bells; but God knows it was rather a deliverance than a triumph. So much it pleas'd God to humble our late over-confidence that nothing could withstand y^e Duke of Albemarle, who in good truth made too forward a reckoning of his successse now, because he had once beaten the Dutch in another quarrell, and being ambitious to outdo the Earle of Sandwich, whom he had prejudicid as deficient in courage.

7. I sent more chirurgeons, linnen, medicaments, &c. to the severall ports in my distract.

8. Dined with the Sir Alex^r Fraser, prime physician to his Ma^v; afterwards w^t on board his Ma^v's pleasure-boate, when I saw the London Fregat launch'd a most stately ship, built by y^e Citty to

supply that which was burnt by accident some time since. The King, Lord Major and Sheriff, being there with a greate banquett.

11. Trinity Monday, after a sermon, applied to the m^teeting of the Corporation of the Trinity House after the late raging and wasting pestilence: I dined with them in their new rooms in Deptford, the first time since it was rebuilt.

15. I went to Chatham.—16. In the Jemmy Yatcht (an incomparable sailer) to sea, ariv'd by noone at the Fleet at the Buoy of the Nore, din'd with Prince Rupert and the Generall.

17. Came his Ma^v, the Duke, and many Noblemen. After Council we went to prayers. My business being dispatch'd, I return'd to Chat-ham, having layue but one night in the Royal Charles; we had a tempestuous sea. I went on shore at Sheerness, where they were building an arsenal for the Fleet, and designing a royal fort with a receptacle for greate ships to ride at anker; but here I beheld y^e sad spectacle, more than halfe that gallant bulwark of the kingdom miserably shatter'd; hardly a vessell intire, but appearing rather so many wrecks and hulls, so cruelly had the Dutch mangl'd us. The losse of y^e Prince, that gallant vessell, had ben a loss to be universally deplored, none knowing for what reason we first engag'd in this ungratefull warr; we lost besides 9 or 10 more, and neero 600 men slaine and 1100 wounded, 2000 prisoners; to ballance which perhaps we might destroy 18 or 20 of the enemies ships, and 7 or 800 poore men.

18. Weary of this sad sight I return'd home.

2 July. Came S^r Jo. Duncomb* and Mr. Tho^r Chicheley, both Privy Councillors and Commiss^r of his Ma^v's Ordnance, to visite me and let me know that his Ma^v had in Council nominated me to be one of the Commiss^r for regulat^g y^e farming and making of Saltworts about the whole kingdom, and that we were to sit ~~there~~ⁱⁿ about the same time. When they were gone, came to see me Sir Jo. Denham, and the

* "Duncomb was a judicious man, but very haughty and imperious. He was an able Parliament-man, but could not be said to have much sense of religion, and a zeal for the liberty of the subject."—See folio, vol. I, p. 225.

famous Antiquary Sir Rob^t Cotton: a pretended greate Grecian, but had by no meanees the parts or genius of his grandfather.

3. I went to sit with y^e Commissⁿ at the Tower, where our Commission being read, we made some progresse in businesse, our Secretary being Sir Geo. Wharton, that famous mathematician who writ y^e yearly Almanac during his Ma^v's troubles. Thence to Painters Hall, to our other Commission, and dined at my L^d. Maior's.

4. The solemn Fast Day. D^r Megot preach'd an excellent discourse before the King on the terrors of God's judgements. After sermon I waited on my L^d Abp^t of Canterbury and Bp. of Winchester, where the Deane of Westm^r spake to me about putting into my hands the disposal of £.50 which the charitable people at Oxford had sent to be distributed among the sick and wounded seamen since y^e battaile. Hence I went to y^e Lord Chanceller's, to joy him of his Royal Highnesses second sonne now born at St. James's, and to desire y^e use of y^e Star Chamber for our Commissⁿ to meeet in, Painters Hall not being so convenient.

19 July. We sat y^e first time in y^e Star Chamber. There was now added to our Commission Sir Geo. Downing (one that had ben a great ... against his Ma^v but now insinuated into his favour, and from a pedagogus and fanatic preacher not worth a groate had become excessive rich) to inspect the hospitals and treate about prisons.

14. Sat at the Tower with Sir J. Duncomb and L^d. Berkeley to signe deputations for undertakers to furnish their proportions of saltpetre.

17. To London to prepare for y^e next engagement of y^e Fleetes, now gotten to sea againe.

22. Our parish still infected with the contagion.

25. The Fleetes engag'd. I dined at L^d Berkeley's at St. James's, where dwelt my Lady Harrietta Hyde, L^d Arlington, & S^r John Duncomb.

29. The pestilence now afresh increasing in our parish, I forbore going to church. In the afternoone came tidings of our victorie over the Dutch, sinking some and driving others aground and into their ports.

1 Augst. Wrote to Dr. Kehler, who married y^e daughter of y^e famous chimney Trewball, beweeve of y^e hooded scarlet. I went to seeq his

iron ovens, made portable (formerly) for the Pr. of Orange's army, supp'd at the Rhenish Wine House with divers Scots gentlemen.

6. Dined with Mr. Povey, and then went with him to see a country-house he had bought neere Brainsford; returning by Kensington, which house stands to a very graceful avenue of trees, but 'tis an ordinary building, especially one part.

8. Dined at St Stephen Fox's, with several friends, and on the 10th with Mr. Odart, Secretary of the Latine tongue.

17. Din'd with the Lo. Chancellor, whom I entreated to visite the Hospital of the Savoy, and reduce it (after y^e greate abuse that had ben continu'd) to its original institution for y^e benefit of the poore, which he promis'd to do.

25. Waited on S^r W^m D'Oylie, now recover'd as it were miraculously. In the afternoone visited the Savoy Hospital; where I staid to see the miserably dismember'd and wounded men dressed, and gave some necessary orders. Then to my Lo. Chancellor, who had, with the Bishop of London and others in the Commission, chosen me one of the three Surveyors of the repaires of Paules, and to consider of a model for the new building, or, if it might be, repairing of the steeple, which was most decay'd.

26 Aug. The Contagion still continuing, we had the Church service at home.

27. I went to St. Paule's Church, where with Dr. Wren, Mr. Prat, Mr. May, Mr. Tho^r Chichley, Mr. Slingsby, the Bishop of London, the Deane* of St. Paule's, and several expert workmen, we went about to survey the generall decays of that ancient and venerable church, and to set downe in writing the particulars of what was to be don, with the charge thereof, giving our opinion from article to article. Finding the maine building to recede outwards, it was the opinion of Mr. Chichley and Mr. Prat that it had ben so built of origine for an effect in perspective, in regard of the height; but I was, with Dr. Wren, quite of another judgment, and determined that we plumb'd the uprights in severall places. When we came to the end

* Dr. Sancroft, afterwards Archibishop of Canterbury.

ple, it was deliberated whether it were not well enough to repaire it only on its old foundation, with reservation to the 4 pillars; this Mr. Chichley and Mr. Prat were also for, but we totaly rejected it, and persisted that it requir'd a new foundation, not only in regard of the necessarie, but for that the shape of what stood was very meane, and we had a mind to build it with a noble cupola, a forme of church-building not as yet known in England, but of wondersfull grace: for this purpose we offer'd to bring in a plan and estimate, which, after much contest, was at last assented to, and that we shoulde nominate a Committee of able workemen to examine the present foundation. This concluded, we drew all up in writing, and so went with my Lord Bishop to the Deanes.

28. Sate at the Star Chamber. Next day to the R^t. Society, where one Mercator, an excellent mathematician, produced his rare clock & new motion to performe the equations, and M^r Rooke his new pendulum.

2 Sept. This fatal night about ten, began the deplorable fire neere Fish Streete in London.

3. I had public prayers at home. The fire continuing, after dinner I took coach with my wife and sonn and went to the Bank side in Southwark, where we beheld that dismal spectacle, the whole City in dreadfull flames neare the water side; all the houses from the Bridge, all Thames Street, and upwards towards Cheapeside, downe to the Three Cranes, were now consum'd: and so returnd exceeding astonished what would become of the rest.

The fire having continu'd all this night (if I may call that night which was light as day for 10 miles round about, after a dreadfull manner) when conspiring with a fierce Eastern wind in a very drie season; I went on foot to the same place, and saw y^e whole South part of y^e City burning from Cheapeside to y^e Thames, and all along Cornehill (for it likewise kindl'd back against y^e wind as well as forward), Tower Streete, Fenn-church Streete, Gracious Streete, and so along to Baynard's Castle, and was now taking hold of St. Paul's Church, to which the scaffold contributed exceedingly. The conflagration was so universal, and the people so astonish'd, that from the beginning, I know not by what dependency or fate, they hardly stirr'd to quench it, so that there was nothing heard or seen but crying out and lamentation,

running about like distracted creatures, without at all attempting to save even their goods; such a strange consternation there was upon them, so as it burned both in breadth and length, the Churches, Publiqu Halls, Exchange, Hospitals, Monuments, and ornaments, leaping after a prodigious manner from house to house and streeete to streeete, at greate distances one from y^e other; for ye heate with a long set of faire and warme weather had even ignited the airo and prepar'd the materials to conceive the fire, which devour'd after an incredible manner houses, furniture, and every thing. Here we saw the Thames cover'd with goods floating, all the barges and boates laden with what some had time and courage to save, as, on y^e other, y^e carts, &c. carrying out to the fields, which for many miles were strew'd with moveables of all sorts, and tents erecting to shelter both people and what goods they could get away. Oh the miserable and calamitous spectacle! such as happily the world had not scene the like since the foundation of it, nor be outdon till the universal conflagration of it. All the skie was of a fiery aspect, like the top of a burning oven, and the light scene above 40 miles round about for many nights. God grant mine eyes may never behold the like, who now saw above 16,000 houses all in one flame; the noise and crackling and thunder of the impetuous flames, y^e shreiking of women and children, the hurry of people, the fall of Towers, Houses, and Churches, was like an hideous storme, and the airo all about so hot and inflam'd that at the last one was not able to approch it, so that they were fore'd to stand still and let y^e flames burn on, which they did for neere two miles in length and one in bredth. The clouds also of smoke were dismal and reach'd upon computation near 50 miles in length. Thus I left it this afternoone burning, a resemblance of Sodom, or the last day. It forcibly call'd to my mind that passage — *non cunctis hic habemus stabilem civitatem* the ruines resembling the pumice of Troy. London was, but is no more! Thys I returned.

Sept. 4. The burning still rages, and it was now quicke to see the Inner Temple; all Fleet Streets, the Old Bailey, Ludgate Hill, Watwick Lane, Newgate, Paules Chayne, Wapping, &c. &c. now desolate, and most of it reduc'd to ashes; the stones of houses broken by y^e melting lead running downe the streets, &c.

pavements glowing with fiery rednesse, so as no horse nor man was able to tread on them, and the demolition had stopp'd all the passages, so that no help could be applied. The Eastern wind still more impetuositously driving the flames forward. Nothing but y^e Almighty power of God was able to stop them; for vaine was y^e help of man.

5. It crossed towards White-hall; but oh, the confusion there was then at that Court! It pleas'd his Ma^y to command me among y^e rest to looke after the quenching of Fetter Lane end, to preserve if possible that part of Holborn, whilst the rest of y^e gentlemen tooke their several posts, some at one part, some at another (for now they began to bestir themselves, and not till now, who hitherto had stood as men intoxicated, with their hands acrosse) and began to consider that nothing was likely to put a stop but the blowing up of so many houses as might make a wider gap than any had yet ben made by the ordinary method of pulling them downe with engines; this some stout seamen propos'd early enough to have sav'd neere y^e whole Citty, but this some tenacious and avaritious men, aldermen, &c. would not permitt, because their houses must have ben of the first. It was therefore now commanded to be practic'd, and my concerne being particularly for the Hospital of St. Bartholomew neere Smithfield, where I had many wounded and sick men, made me the more diligent to promote it; nor was my care for the Savoy lesse. It now pleas'd God by abating the wind, and by the industrie of y^e people, when almost all was lost, infusing a new spirit into them, that the furie of it began sensibly to abate about noon, so as it came no farther than y^e Temple Westward, nor than y^e entrance of Smithfield North: but continu'd all this day and night so impetuous toward Cripple-gate and the Tower as made us all despaire; it also brake out againe in the Temple, but the courage of the multitude persisting, and many houses being blown up, such gaps and desolations were soone made, as with the former three days consumption, the back fire did not so vehemently urge upon the rest as formerly. There was yet no standing neere the burning and glowing ruines by neerz a fur-long space.

The coale and wood wherfes and magazines of oyle, rosin, &c. did infinite marchantise, so as the inventio which a little before I had dedi-

cated to his Ma^w and publish'd*, giving warning what might probably be the issue of suffering those shops to be in the City, was look'd on as a prophecy.

The poore inhabitants were dispers'd about St. George's Fields, and Moorefields, as far as Highgate, and severall miles in circle, some under tents, some under miserable huts and hovells, many without a rag or any necessary utensils, bed or board, who from delicatenesse, riches, and easy accomodations in stately and well furnish'd houses, were now reduc'd to extreamest misery and poverty.

In this calamitous condition I return'd with a sad heart to my house, blessing and adoring the distinguishing mercy of God to me and mine, who in the midst of all this ruine was like Lot, in my little Zoar, safe and sound.

Sept. 6, Thursday. I represented to his Ma^w the case of the French prisoners at war in my custodie, and besought him that there might be still the same care of watching at all places contiguous to unscissed houses. It is not indeede imaginable how extraordinary the vigilance and activity of the King and the Duke was, even labouring in person, and being present to command, order, reward, or encourage workmen, by which he shewed his affection to his people and gained theirs. Having then dispos'd of some under cure at the Savoy, I return'd to White-hall, where I din'd at Mr. Offley's †, the groome porter, who was my relation.

7. I went this morning on foote from White-hall as far as London Bridge, thro' the late Fleet Street, Ludgate Hill, by St. Pauls, Cheape-side, Exchange, Bishopsgate, Aldersgate, and out to Moore-fields, thence thro' Cornehill, &c. with extraordinary difficulty, shan- bering over heaps of yet smoking rubbish, and frequently questioning where I was. The ground under my feete so hot, that it even burnt the soles of my shoes. In the mean time his Majesty got to the River by water, to demolish y^e houses about the graft, which had been

* The Fumifugion. See p. 332.

† Dr. Offley was rector of Abinger, and reader of Divinity to Queen Henrietta Maria, in the patronage of the Evelyn family.

intirely about it, had they taken fire and attack'd the White Tower where the magazine of powder lay, would undoubtedly not only have beaten downe and destroy'd all y^e bridge, but sunke and torne the vessells in y^e river, and render'd y^e demolition beyond all expression for several miles about the countrey.

At my returne I was infinitely concern'd to find that goodly Church St. Paules now a sad ruine, and that beautifull portico (for structure comparable to any in Europe, at not long before repair'd by the late King) now rent in pieces, flakes of vast stone split asunder, and nothing remaining intire but the inscription in the architrave, shewing by whom it was built, which had not one letter of it defac'd. It was astonishing to see what immense stones the heate had in a manner calcin'd, so that all y^e ornaments, columns, freezes, capitals, and projectures of massie Portland stone flew off, even to y^e very roose, where a sheet of lead covering a great space (no lesse than 6 akers by measure) was totally mealtd ; the ruines of the vaulted roose falling broke into St. Faith's, which being fill'd with the magazines of bookees belonging to y^e Stationers, and carried thither for safety, they were all consum'd, burning for a weeke following. It is also observable that the lead over y^e altar at y^e East end was untouch'd, and among the divers monumets, the body of one Bishop remain'd intire. Thus lay in ashes that most venerable Church, one of the most antient pieces of early piety in y^e Christian world, besides neere 100 more. The lead, yron worke, bells, plate, &c. mealtd ; the exquisitely wrought Mercers Chapell, the sumptuous Exchange, y^e august fabriq of Christ Church, all y^e rest of the Companies Halls, splendid buildings, arches, enteries, all in dust ; the fountaines dried up and ruin'd, whilst the very waters remain'd boiling ; the voragos of subterranean cellars, wells, and dungeons, formerly warehouses, still burning in stench and dark clouds of smoke, so that in five or six miles traversing about, I did not see one loade of timber unconsum'd, nor many stones but what were calcin'd white as snow. The people who now walk'd about y^e ruines appear'd like men in some dismal desert, or rather in some greate Citty laid waste by a cruel enemy ; to which was added the stench that came from some poore creatures bodies, beds, and other combustible goods. Sir Tho.

Gresham's statue, tho' fallen from its nich in the Royal Exchange, remain'd intire, when all thosse of y^e Kings since y^e Conquest were broken to pieces; also the standard in Cornhill, and Q. Elizabeth's effigies, with some armes on Ludgate, continued with but little detriment, whilst the vast yron chaines of the City streetes, hinges, bars and gates of prisons were many of them melted and reduced to cinders by y^e vehement heate. Nor was I yet able to passe through any of the narrower streetes, but kept the widest; the ground and air, smoke and fiery vapour, continu'd so intense that my haire was almost sing'd, and my feete unsufferably surbated. The bie lanes and narrower stretes were quite fill'd up with rubbish, nor could one have possibly knowne where he was, but by y^e ruines of some Church or Hall, that had some remarkable tower or pinnacle remaining. I then went towards Islington and Highgate, where one might have seene 200,000 people of all ranks and degrees dispers'd and lying along by their heapes of what they could save from the fire, deploring their losse, and tho' ready to perish for hunger and destitution, yet not asking one penny for relief, which to me appear'd a stranger sight than any I had yet beheld. His Majesty and Council indeede tooke all imaginable care for their relieve by proclamation for the country to come in and refresh them with provisions. In y^e midst of all this calamity and confusion, there was, I know not how, an alarme begun that the French and Dutch, with whom we were now in hostility, where not onely landed, but even entering the City. There was in truth some days before greate suspition of those two nations joyning; and now, that they had ben the occasion of firing the towne. This report did so terrifie, that on a sudden there was such an uproare and tumult that they ran from their goods, and taking what weapons they could come at, they could not be stopp'd from falling on some of those nations whom they caus'd most without sense or reason. The clamor and peril grew so excessive that it made the whole Court amaz'd, and they did with infinite trouble and difficulty reduce and appease the people, sending orders of soldiers and guards to cause them to retire into quietnesse, and to be quiet, and watch'd all this night. I left them about noon, and was sufficiently weary and broken. Their spirits were much dispirited.

a right abated, they now began to repaire into y^e suburbs about the City, where such as had friends or opportunity got shelter for the present, to which his Mat^r Proclamation also invited them.

Still y^e plague continuing in our parish, I could not without danger adventure to our church.

10. I went againe to y^e ruines, for it was now no longer a City.

13 Sept. I presented his Ma^r with a survey of the ruines, and a plot for a new City*, with a discourse on it; whercupon after dinner his Ma^r sent for me into the Queene's bed chamber, her Ma^r and y^e Duke onely being present; they examin'd each particular, and discours'd on them for neare an houre, seeming to be extreamly pleas'd with what I had so early thought on. The Queene was now in her cavalier riding habite, hat and feather, and horseman's coate, going to take the aire.

16. I went to Greenwich Church, where Mr. Plumc preached very well from this text: "Seeing therefore all these things must be dissolv'd," &c. taking occasion from y^e late unparalell'd conflagration to mind us how we ought to walke more holily in all manner of conversation.

27. Dined at Sir W^m D'Oylie's, with that worthy gent. S^r John Holland of Suffolke.

10 Oct. This day was order'd a generall fast thro' the Nation, to humble us on y^e late dreadfull conflagration, added to the plague and warr, the most dismal judgments that could be inflicted, but which indeede we highly deserv'd for our prodigious ingratitude, burning

* See a letter of Mr. Evelyn to Sir Samuel Tuke on the subject of the Fire, and his plan for rebuilding the City, in vol. II. pp. 170—172. Part of this plan was to lessen the derilities, and to employ the rubbish in filling up the shore of the Thames to low water mark; so as to keep the Dado always full.—In a letter to Mr. Oldenburg, Secretary to the Royal Society, 22 Dec. 1666, he says, after mentioning the presenting his reflections on re-building the City to his Mat^r, that "the want of a more exact plot, wherein I might have marked what the Fire had spared, and accommodated my designs to the remaining parts, made me take it as a rare (abusa), and to forme mine idea thereof accordingly: I have since lighted upon Mr. Hollar's late Plan, which looking upon as the most accurate hitherto extant, has caus'd me something to alter what I had so crudely done. Though for the most part I still persist in my former discourse, and wilche I heare send you an exacte and compleat copy will give me leave, and the suppliment of an ill memory, for since that time I hardly ever look'd on it, and it was finish'd within two or three dayes after the Incendium."

lusts, dissolute Court, profane and abominable lives, under such dispensations of God's continu'd favour in restoring Church, Princes, and People from our late intestine calamities, of which we were altogether unmindfull, even to astonishment. This made me resolve to go to our parish assemblie, where our Doctor preach'd on y^e 19 Luke 41, piously applying it to the occasion. After w^{ch} was a collection for y^e distress'd losers in the late fire.

18. To Court. It being y^e first time his Ma^y put himself solemnly into the Eastern fashion of vest, changeing doublet, stiff collar, bands and cloake, into a comely vest, after y^e Persian mode, with girdle or straps, and shoe strings and garters into buckles, of which some were set with precious stones*, resolving never to alter it, and to leave the French mode, which had hitherto obtain'd to our greate expence and reproch. Upon which divers courtiers and gentlemen gave his Ma^y gold by way of wager that he would not persist in this resolution. I had sometime before presented an invective against that unconstancy, and our so much affecting the French fashion, to his Ma^y, in which I tooke occasion to describe the comelinesse and usefulnessse of the Persian clothing, in y^e very same manner his Ma^y now clad himselfe. This pamphlet I intitl'd "Tyrannus, or the Mode," and gave it to his Ma^y to reade. I do not impute to this discourse the change which soone happen'd, but it was an identity that I could not but take notice of.

This night was acted my Lord Broghill's† tragedy call'd "Mutantha" before their Ma^{es} at Court, at which I was present, very seldom going to the publiq theaters for many reasons, now as they were abused to an atheistical liberty, fowle and undecent women now (and never till now) permitted to appeare and act, who inflaming several young noblemen and gallants, became their misses, and to some their wives‡; witness y^e Earl of Oxford, Sir R. Howard, P. Rupert, the

* It would be curious to see a portrait of the King in this costume, which was however shortly after abandoned and laid aside.

† Richard Lord Broghill, created shortly after this died of Oxygall, he wrote many other plays besides that here noticed.

‡ Mrs. Margaret Hughes, Nell Gwynn, who left the Bath for his fav'ry, to whom were Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Knight.

Earl of Dorset, and another greater person than any of them, who fell into their snares, to ye reproch of their noble families, and ruine of both body and soule. I was invited by my Lo. Chamberlaine to see this tragedy, exceedingly well written, tho' in my mind I did not approve of any such pastime in a season of such judgments and calamities.

21. This season, after so long and extraordinarie a drowth in August and September, as if preparatory for the dreadfull fire, was so very wett and rainy as many feared an ensuing famine.

22. The pestilence, thro' God's mercy, began now to abate considerably in our towne.

30. To London to our office, and now had I on the vest and surcoat or tunic as 'twas call'd, after his Ma^y had brought the whole Court to it. It was a comely and manly habit, too good to hold, it being impossible for us in good earnest to leave y^e Monsieurs vanities long.

31. I heard the signal cause of my L^d Cleaveland pleaded before the House of Lords, and was this day 46 yeares of age, wonderfully protected by the mercies of God, for which I render him immortal thanks.

14 Nov. I went my winter circle thro' my district, Rochester & other places, where I had men quarter'd and in custody.—15. To Leeds Castle.

16. I muster'd y^e prisoners being about 600 Dutch and French, order'd their proportion of bread to be augmented, and provided cloathes and suell. Mons^t Colbert, Ambass^t at the Court of England, this day sent mony from his master the French King to every prisoner of that nation under my guard.

17. I return'd to Chatham. My chariott overturning on the steepe of Bexley Hill, wounded me in two places on the head; my sonn Jack being with me was like to have ben worse cutt by the glasse; but I thank^e God we both escaped without much hurt, tho' net without exceeding danger.—18. At Rochester.—19. Return'd home.

23. At London I heard an extraordinary case before a Committee of the whole House of Commons, in the Commons House of Parliament, between one Capt. Taylor and my Lo. Visc^t Mordaunt*, where after the lawyers had pleaded, and the witnesses ben examin'd, such foul

* See the whole proceedings in this affair in the Journals of Lords and Commons under this year.

and dishonourable things were produc'd against his Lordship, of tyranny during his government of Windsor Castle, of w^{ch} he was Constable; incontinence; and suborning witnesses (of which last one S^r Richard Breame was most concerned), that I was exceedingly interested for his Lordship, who was my special friend, and husband of the most virtuous lady in the world. We sate till neere 10 at night, and yet but halfe the Council had done on behalfe of y^e Plantiffe. The question then was put for bringing in of lights to sit longer; this lasted so long before it was determin'd, and rais'd such a confus'd noise among the Members, that a stranger would have ben astonish'd at it. I admire that there is not a rationale to regulate such trifling accidents, which consume a world of time, and is a reproch to the gravity of so greate an assembly of sober men.

27. Sir Hugh Pollard, Comptroller of the Household, died at White-hall, and his Ma^w conferr'd the white staffe on my brother Commiss^r for sick and wounded; S^r Tho. Clifford*, a bold young gentleman, of a small fortune in Devon, but advanc'd by Lo. Arlington, Secr. of State, to y^e greate astonishment of all the Court. This gentleman was somewhat related to me by y^e marriage of his mother to my neerest kinsman Gregory Coale†; and was ever my noble friend, a valiant and daring person, but by no means fit for a supple and flattering courtier.

28. Went to see Clarendon House ‡, now almost finish'd, a goodly pile to see to, but had many defects as to y^e architecture, yet plac'd most gracefully. After this I waited on the L^d Chancellor, who was now at Berkshire House §, since the burning of London.

* Afterwards Lord Treasurer.

† Of this gentleman and his family, seated at Petersham in Surrey, see Hist. of that County, vol. 1. pp. 439, 441, but his connection with the Evelyns does not appear.

‡ Since quite demolished: see hereafter. It was situated where Albermarle Street now is. After Lord Clarendon's exile, the Duke of Albermarle occupied this noble mansion, of which there are two engraved views at least, one a small one by John Dunstall, and another upon a very large scale by J. Spilburgh.

§ Berkshire or Cleaveland House belonged to the Howard's Duke of Berkshire, and stood very near the royal residence. It was afterwards purchased and presented by Charles II. to Barbara Duchess of Cleveland. It was then of great extent; the rooms were large, and some of them were built into various houses.

2 Dec. Dined with me Mons^t Kiviet, a Dutch gent^e pensioner of Rotterdam, who came over for protection, being of the Prince of Orange's party, now not wellcome in Holland. The King knighted him for some merit in y^e Prince's behalf. He should, if caught, have ben beheaded with Mons^t Buat, and was brother-in-law to Van Tromp, the Sea Generall. With him came Mr. Gabriel Sylvius*, and Mr. Williamson* Secretarie to Lord Arlington; S^r Kiviet came to examine whether the soile about the river of Thames would be proper to make clunker-bricks, and to treat with me about sonic accomodation in order to it†.

1667. 9 Jan. To the Royal Society, which since y^e sad conflagration were invited by Mr. Howard to sit at Arundel House in the Strand, who at my instigation likewise bestow'd on the Society that noble library which his grandfather especialy, and his ancestors had collected. This gentleman had so little inclination to booke, that it was the preservation of them from imbezzlement.

24. Visited my Lo. Chancellor, and presented my son John to him, now preparing to go to Oxford, of which his Lordship was Chancellor. This evening I heard rare Italian voices, two eunuchs and one woman, in his Ma^tn greene chamber next his cabinet.

29 Jan. To London in order to my son's Oxford journey, who being very early enter'd both in Latin and Greek, and prompt to learn beyond most of his age, I was persuaded to trust him under y^e tutorage of Mr. Bohun, fellow of New College, who had ben his preceptor in my house some years before; but at Oxford under y^e inspection of Dr. Bathurst, President of Trinity Coll., where I plac'd him, not as yet 13 years old. He was newly out of long coates‡.

15 Feb. My little booke in answer to Sir Geo. Mackenzie on Solitude was now published, intituled, "Public Employment and an active Life with its Appanages preferred to Solitude."§

* More is said of these gentlemen afterwards.

† See pp. 402, 409.

‡ At the Swan Inn at Leatherhead in Surrey is a picture of 4 children, dates of birth between 1640 and 1650, one of them is a boy about this age, in a coat or vest, reaching almost to his ankles.

§ In a letter of Mr. Dryden 12 Mar. 1662 he apologizes for having written against that life, when he was engaged with Mr. Cowley in so much admiring, assuring him he neither was, nor could be, a sceptic.

19. I saw a comedy acted at Court. In the afternoone I saw a wrestling-match for £1000 in St. James's Park, before his Mat^y, a world of Lords and other spectators, 'twixt the Western and Northern men, Mr. Secretary Morice and Lo. Gerard being the judges. The Western men won. Many greate sums were betted.

18. I saw a magnificent ball or masque in the Theater at Court, where their Ma^t and all the greate Lords and Ladies daunced, infinitely gallant; the men in their richly embroideid most becoming veste.

6 March. I proposed to my Lo. Chancellor Mons^t Kiviet's undertaking to warfe the whole river of Thames, or Key, from the Temple to the Tower, as far as y^e fire destroied; with brick, without piles, both lasting and ornamental*.—Great frosts, snow and winds, prodigious at the vernal equinox; indeede it had ben a yeare of prodigies in this nation, plague, warr, fire, rains, tempest, and comet.

14. Saw "The Virgin Queene," a play written by Mr. Dryden.

22. Din'd at Mr. Sec. Morice's, who shew'd me his library, wh^t was a well-chosen collection. This afternoone I had audience of his Ma^t concerning the proposal I had made of building the Key.

26. S^r John Kiviet din'd with me. We went to search for brick earth in order to a greate undertaking.

4 April. The cold so intense that there was hardly a leaf on a tree.

18. I went to make court to the Duke and Duchess of Newcastle at their house at Clerkenwell†, being newly come out of the North. They receiv'd me with great kindnessse, and I was much please'd with the extraordinary fanciful habit, garb, and discourses of the Dutchess.

22. Saw the sumptuous supper in the Banqueting-house at White-hall on the eve of St. George's day, where were all the Companions of the Order of the Garter.

23. In the morning his Mat^y went to Chapell with the Knights of the Garter all in their habitts and robes, wher'd by y^e Marshall. After the first service they went in procession, the footmen first, the ser-

* See pp. 401, 409.

† The Duke spent a princely fortune in the service of Charles I., and left his membership a curious and splendid volume. Part of the old work is now in the Bodleian Library at Oxford (1816).

reigne last, with the Prelate of the Order and Dean, who had about his neck y^e booke of the Statutes of the Order, and then the Chancellor of the Order (old S^r Hen. de Vie) who wore y^e purse about his neck; then the Heralds and Garter King at Arms, Clarencieux, Black Rod. But before y^e Prelate and Deane of Windsor went the Gentlemen of the Chapell, and Choristers singing as they marched; behind them two Doctors of Musick in damask robes; this procession was about the Courts of White-hall. Then returning to their stalls and seates in the Chapell, plac'd under each Knights coate armour and titles, the second service began: then the King offer'd at y^e altar, an anthem was sung, then y^e rest of the Knights offer'd, and lastly proceeded to the Banqueting-house to a greate feast. The King sat on an elevated throne at the upper end at a table alone, the Knights at a table on the right hand, reaching all the length of y^e roome; over against them a cupboard of rich gilded plate; at the lower end the musick; on the balusters above, wind musick, trumpets and kettle-drums. The King was serv'd by y^e Lords and Pensioners, who brought up the dishes. About the middle of the dinner the Knights drank the King's health, then y^e King theirs, when the trumpets and musick plaide and sounded, the guns going off at the Tower. At y^e banquet came in the Queene and stood by the King's left hand, but did not sit. Then was the banqueting stuff flung about the roome profusely. In truth the crowd was so greate, that tho' I staied all the supper y^e day before, I now staied no longer than this sport began for feare of disorder. The cheere was extraordinary, each Knight having 40 dishes to his messe, piled up 5 or 6 high. The roome hung with y^e richest tapessry.

25. Visited again y^e Duke of Newcastle, with whom I had ben acquainted long before in France, where the Dutchesse had obligation to my wifes mother, for her marriage there; she was sister to Lord Lucas and maid of honor then to the Queene Mother; married in our Chapel at Paris. My wife being with me, the Duke and Dutchesse both would needs bring her to the very Court.

26. My Lord Chancellor shewed me all his newly-finished and furnished rooms and librarie; then we went to take the aire in Hide Park.

27. I had a greate deale of discourse with his Majestie at dinner. In the afternoone I went againe with my wife to the Dutchesse of Newcastle, who receiv'd her in a kind of transport, suitable to her extravagant humour and dresse, which was very singular.

May 8. Made up accounts with our Receiver, which amounted to £.33,936. 1s. 4d. Dined at Lord Cornbury's with Don Francisco de Melos, Portugal Ambassador and kindred to the Queen : of the party were Mr. Henry Jermaine, and S^t. Hen. Capell. Afterwards I went to Arundel House to salute Mr. Howard's sons, newly return'd out of France.

11. To London, dined with the Duke of Newcastle, and sate discoursing with her Grace in her bed-chamber after dinner, till my L^e. Marquiss of Dorchester with other company came in; when I went away.

30. To London to wait on the Dutchesse of Newcastle (who was a mighty pretender to learning, poetric, and philosophie, and had in both publish'd divers booke) to the Royal Society*, whither she came in greate pomp, and being receiv'd by our Lord President at the dore of our meeting roome, the mace, &c. carried before him, had several experiments shewed to her. I conducted her Grace to her coach, and return'd home.

1 June. I went to Greenwich, where his Ma^t was trying divers granado's shot out of cannon at the Castle-hill, from the house in the Park ; they brake not till they hit the mark, the forg'd ones brake not at all, but the cast ones very well. The inventor was a German, there present. At the same time a ring was shewed to his Ma^t, pretended to be a projection of mercury, and malleable, and say'd by y^e gentlemen to be fix'd by the juice of a plant.

18. To London, alarm'd by the Dutch, who were following our fleete at Chatham, by a most audacious enterprise passing the river with part of their fleete, doing us not only disgrace, but incredible

* This reminds us of the visit of another great matron of the time, to the Royal Society, at one of their sittings, recorded by Moxon. Fulham, in his history of that Society, states, that Caroline, wife of King George II, also affected the Company of our Royal Inspectors.

mischief in burning severall of our best men of warr lying at anker and moor'd there, and all this thro' our unaccountable negligence in not setting out our fleete in due time. This alarme caus'd me, fearing y^e enemie might venture up y^e Thames even to London, (which they might have don with ease, and fir'd all y^e vessels in y^e river too,) to send away my best goods, plate, &c. from my house to another place. The alarme was so greate that it put both Country and Citty into a paniq feare and consternation, such as I hope as I shall never see more; every body was flying, none knew why or whither. Now there were land forces dispatch'd with the Duke of Albemarle, Lord Middleton, Prince Rupert, and the Duke, to hinder y^e Dutch coming to Chatham, fortifying Upnor Castle, and laying chaines and booms, but y^e resolute enemy brake thro' all, and set fire on our ships, and retreated in spight, stopping up the Thames, the rest of their fleet lying before the mouth of it.

14 June. I went to see the work at Woolwich, a battery to prevent them from coming up to London, which Pr. Rupert commanded, and sunk some ships in the river.

17. This night about 2 o'clock some chippes and combustible matter prepar'd for some fire-ships taking flame in Deptford Yard made such a blaze, and caus'd such an uproar in y^e Tower, it being given out that the Dutch fleet was come up and had landed their men and fir'd the Tower, as had like to have don more mischeife before people would be persuaded to the contrary and believe the accident. Every body went to their armes. These were sad and troublesome times!

24. The Dutch fleet still continuing to stop up the river, so as nothing could stir out or come in, I was before y^e Council, and commanded by his Ma^y to go with some others and search about the environs of the City, now exceedingly distress'd for want of fuell, whether there coulde be any peat^e or turf found fit for use. The next day I went and discover'd enough, and made my report that there might be found a greate deale, but nothing further was don in it.

28. I went to Chatham, and thence to view not onely what mischeife the Dutch had don, but how triumphantly their whole fleete lay within the very mouth of the Thames, all from y^e North fore-land,

Margate, even to y^e buoy of the Nore — a dreadfull spectacle as ever Englishmen saw, and a dishonour never to be wip'd off! Those who advis'd his Ma^y to prepare no fleete this spring deserv'd — I know what — but*

Here in the river off Chatham, just before y^e towne, lay y^e carcasses of the London (now the third time burnt), the Royal Oak, the James, &c. yet smoking; and now, when the mischeife was don, we were making trifling forts on y^e brink of the river. Here were yet forces both of horse and foote, with Gen. Midleton continually expecting the motions of the enemy's fleete. I had much discourse with him, who was an experienc'd commander. I told him I wonder'd the King did not fortifie Sheerness† and the Ferry; both abandon'd.

2 July. Call'd upon by my Lo. Arlington as from his Ma^y about the new fuell. The occasion why I was mention'd was from what I had said in my Sylva three yeares before, about a sort of fuell, for a neede, which obstructed a patent of Lord Carlingford, who had ben seeking for it himselfe; he was endeavouring to bring me into the project, and proferr'd me a share. I met my Lord; and on the 8th by an order of council went to my Lord Maior to be assisting. In the meane time they had made an experiment of my receipt of *houllier*, which I mention in my booke to be made at Maestricht with a mixture of charcoal dust and loame, and which was tried with successe at Gressham Colledge (then being the exchange for meeting of the merchants since the Fire) for every body to see. This done, I went to the Treasury for 12,000*l.* for y^e sick and wounded yet on my hands.

Next day we met againe about the fuell at Sir Jo. Armorer's in the Mewes.

8. My Lord Brereton and others diu'd at my house, where I shew'd them proofe of my new fuell, which was very graving and without smoke or ill smell.

* The Parliament giving but weak supplies for the war, the King to raise money commanded by the Chancellor, the Lord Treasurer, Southampton, the Duke of Albemarle, and other Ministers, to lay up the first and second rate ships, and make ready for the present campaign. The Duke of York opposed this, but was overruled. See *State Papers*, p. 495. † *Sixtus Decimus*.

10. I went to see Sir Sam. Morland's* inventions and machines, arithmetical wheelles, quench-fires, and new harp.

17. The Master of the Mint and his Lady, Mr. Williamson, Sir Nich^r Arundel, Sir Edw. Bowyer, Sir Anth^r Auger, & other friends, dined with me.

29 July. I went to Gravesend, the Dutch flete still at anker before the river, where I saw 5 of his Ma^r men of war encounter above 20 of the Dutch, in the bottome of the Hope, chassing them with many broadsides given and return'd towards the buoy of the Nore, where the body of their flete lay, wh^{ch} lasted till about midnight. One of their ships was fir'd, suppos'd by themselves, she being run on ground. Having seene this bold action, and their braving us so far up the river, I went home y^e next day, not without indignation at our negligence, and the Nation's reproch. 'Tis well known who of the Commiss^rs of the Treasury gave advice that the charge of setting forth a flete this yeare might be spar'd, S^r W. C. (William Coventrie) by name.

1 Aug. I receiv'd the sad newes of Abraham Cowley's death, that incomparable poet and virtuous man, my very deare friend, and was greatly deplored.

13. Went to Mr. Cowley's funerall, whose corps lay at Wallingford House, and was thence convey'd to Westm^r Abby in a hearse with 6 horses and all funeral decency, neere an hundred coaches of noblemen and persons of qualitie following; among these all the witts of the

* Mr. Aubrey says: "Under the Equestrian Statue of Cha. 2. in the great Court at Windsor is an engine for raising water contriv'd by Sr Sam. Morland, alias Morley. He was son of Sr Sam. Morland of Fulhampt. Mortuary Berks, created Bart. by Cha. 2. in consideration of services performed during his exile. The son was a great mechanick, & was presented with a good medal & made Master Mechanic by the king in 1681. He invented the drum capstans for weighing heavy anchors, the speaking trumpet, & other useful engines. He died & was buried at Hamburgh, Middle Temple. There is a monument for ye 2. wife of Sr Sam. Morland in Westm^r Abby. There is a print of the son by Lombart after Lely. This Sr Sam. the son, built a large house in the gardens of Vauxhall, wh^{ch} was much admitt'd at that time. On the top was a punchbowl which contained 1000 p^t. See more of him in Manning and Bray's History of Canterbury, 1717, 1720, 1721, and Appendix, p. cv. — He is also noticed again several times in the Survey, but particularly agayne the year 1681, Sept.

towne, divers bishops and clergymen. He was interr'd next Geoffrey Chaucer and neere Spenser. A goodly monument since erected to his memorie.

Now did his Ma^y againe dine in y^e Presence, in ancient state, with musiq and all the Court ceremonies, which had ben interrupted since y^e late warr.

8. Visited Mr. Oldenburg, now close prisoner in the Tower, being suspected of writing intelligence. I had an order from Lo. Arlington, Secr. of State, which caus'd me to be admitted. This gent^a was Secretary to our Society, and I am confident will prove an innocent person*.

15. Finish'd my account, amounting to £25,000.

17. To y^e funerall of Mr. Farringdon, a relation of my wife's.

There was now a very gallant horse to be baited to death with doggs; but he fought them all, so as the fiercest of them could not fasten on him, till they run him through with their swords. This wicked and barbarous sport deserv'd to have ben punish'd in the cruel contrivers to get mony, under pretence that the horse had kill'd a man, which was false. I would not be perswaded to be a spectator.

21. Saw y^e famous Italian puppet play, for 'twas no other.

24. I was appointed with y^e rest of my brother Commis^s to put in execution an order of Council for freeing the prisoners at war in my custody at Leedes Castle, and taking off his Ma^y extraordinary charge, having call'd before us the French and Dutch agents. The peace was now proclaimed in the usual forme by the heralds at armes.

25. After evening service I went to visit Mr. Vaughan, who lay at Greenwich, a very wise and learned person, one of Mr. Selden's executors and intimate friends.

27. Visited the Lo. Chancellor, to whom his Ma^y had sent for the seals a few days before; I found him in his bed-chamber very ill. The Parliament had accus'd him, and he had enemies at Court, especially the buffoones and ladys of pleasure, because he would not let them and stood in their way; I could name some of y^e chief. The truth is, he made few friends during his greatest service to King

* He was released soon after.

sufferers; but advanc'd the old rebels. He was, however, tho' no considerable lawyer, one who kept up y^e forme and substance of things in y^e Nation with more solemnity than some would have had. He was my particular kind friend on all occasions. The Cabal, however, prevail'd, and that party in Parliament. Greate division at Court concerning him, and divers greate persons interceding for him.

28. I din'd with my late Lo. Chanc', where also din'd Mr. Ashburnham, and Mr. W Legg of the Bed-chamber; his Lordship pretty well in heart, tho' now many of his friends and sycophants abandon'd him.

In the afternoone I went to the Lords Commiss^r for mony, and thence to the audience of a Russian Envoy in y^e Queene's presence-chamber, introduc'd with much state, the souldiers, pensioners, and gnards in their order. His letters of credence brought by his secretary in a scarfe of sarsenett, their vests sumptuous, much embroider'd with pearls. He deliver'd his speech in y^e Russe language aloud, but without y^e least action or motion of his body, which was immediately interpreted aloud by a German that spake good English; halse of it consisted in repetition of the Zarr's titles, which were very haughty and oriental, the substance of y^e rest was that he was only sent to see y^e King and Queene, and know how they did, with much compliment and frothy language. Then they kiss'd their Ma^{ter} hands, and went as they came; but their real errand was to get money.

29. We met at y^e Star Chamber about exchange and release of prisoners.

7 Sept. Came Sir John Kiviet to article with me about his brick-work*.

13. Twixt the hours of twelve & one was borne my second daughter, who was afterwards christned Elizabeth.

19. To London with Mr. Hen. Howard of Norfolk, of whom I obtain'd y^e gift of his Arundelian Marbles, those celebrated and famous inscriptions Greek and Latine, gather'd with so much cost and industrie from Greece, by his illustrious grandfather the magnificent Earle of Arundel, my noble friend whilst he liv'd. When I saw these precious

monuments miserably neglected and scatter'd up and downe about the garden, and other parts of Arundel House, and how exceedingly the corrosive aire of London repair'd them, I procur'd him to bestow them on the University of Oxford. This he was pleas'd to grant me, and now gave me the key of the gallery, with leave to mark all those stones, urns, altars, &c. and whatever I found had inscriptions on them, that were not statues. This I did, and getting them remov'd and pil'd together, with those which were incrusted in the garden-walls, I sent immediately letters to y^e Vice-Chancellor of what I had procur'd, and that if they esteem'd it a service to y^e University (of which I had ben a member) they should take order for their transportation.

This don, 21st I accompanied Mr. Howard to his villa at Aldbury, where I design'd for him the plot of his canall and garden, with a crypt* thro' the hill.

24 Sept. Returned to London, where I had orders to deliver ye possession of Chelsey Colledge (us'd as my prison during the warr with Holland for such as were sent from the Fleete to London) to our Society, as a gift of his Ma^y our founder.

8 Oct. Came to dine with me Dr. Bathurst, Deane of Wells, President of Trinity Coll. sent by the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford, in the name both of him and the whole University, to thank me for procuring y^e Inscriptions, and to receive my directions what was to be done to shew their gratitude to Mr. Howard.

11. I went to see Lord Clarendon, late Lord Chancellor and greatest officer in England, in continual apprehension what the Parliament would determine concerning him.

17. Came Dr. Barlow, Provost of Queen's Coll. and Provinciobothecus of the Bodleian Library, to take order about y^e transportation of y^e Marbles.

25. There were deliver'd to me two letters from the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford with the Decree of the Convocation attested by the Publick Notary, ordering four Doctors of Divinity and Law to acknowledge the obligation the University had to me for procuring the

* Still in part remaining, but dispos'd to the Royal Society.

mora Arundeliana, which was solemnly don by Dr. Barlow*, Dr. Jenkins†, Judge of the Admiralty, Dr. Lloyd, and Obadiah Walker‡ of University Coll. who having made me a large compliment from the University, deliver'd me the Decree fairly written :

Gesta venerabilis domo Convocationis Universitatis Oxon; . . . 17. 1667.
 Quo die retulit ad Senatum Academicum Dominus Vicecancellarius, quantum
 Universitas debet singulari benevolentiae Johannis Evelini Armigeri, qui pro
 ea pietate quæ Almam Matrem prosecutus non solum Suas et Concilio apud
 inclytum Heredem Henricum Howard, Duci Norfolkia: hæredem, intercessit
 ut Universitat̄ pretiosissimum eruditæ antiquitatis thesaurum Marmora Arun-
 deliana largiretur : sed egregius insuper in ijs colligendis asservandisq; navavit
 operam : Quapropter unanimi suffragio Venerabilis Domus decretum est ut
 eidem publice gratiæ per delegatos ad Honoratissimum Dominum Henricum
 Howard propediem mittendos, solemniter reddantur.

Concordat superscripta cum originali collatione facta per me Ben.
 Cooper Notarium Publicum et Regium Universitat. Oxon.

" SIR,

" We intend also a noble inscription, in which also honorable mention shall
 be made of yourself; but Mr. Vice Chancr commands me to tell you, that
 that was not sufficient for your merits, but that if your occasions would permit
 you to come down at the Act (when we intend a dedication of our new
 Theater), some other testimonie should be given both of your owne worth
 and affection to this your old Mother; for we are all very sensible of this
 greate addition of learning and reputation to the Universitie is due as well to
 your industrious care for the Universitie, and interest with my Lord Howard,
 as to his greate noblenesse and generositie of spirit.

" I am, Sir, your most humble servant,

" OBADIAH WALKER, Univ. Coll."

The Vice-Chancellor's letter to y^e same effect were too vaine-glorious
 to insert, with divers copies of verses that were also sent me. Their
 mentioning me in the inscription I totally declin'd when I directed
 the titling of Mr. Howard, now made Lord upon his ambassage to
 Morocco.

* Bishop of Llandaff.

† Afterwards Sir Leoline Jenkins, Secretary of State.

‡ Subsequently Master of Hart College. See pp. 235, 269; under 1675, July; 1686, May; and
 vol. II. p. 36.

These four Doctors having made me this compliment, desir'd me to carry and introduce them to Mr. Howard at Arundel House : which I did, Dr. Barlow (Provost of Queens) after a short speech, delivering a larger letter of the University's thanks, which was written in Latin, expressing the greate sense they had of the honour don them. After this compliment handsomely perform'd, and as nobly receiv'd, Mr. Howard accompanied the Doctors to their coach. That evening I supp'd with them.

26. My late L^d Chancellor was accused by Mr. Scamour in the House of Commons ; and in the evening I returned home.

31 Oct. My birth-day—blessed be God for all his mercies ! I made y^e Royal Society a present of y^e Table of Veines, Artieries and Nerves, which great curiositie I had caus'd to be made in Italy, out of the natural human bodies by a learned physitian, and the help of Vestingius (professor at Padua), from whence I brought them in 1646. For this I receiv'd y^e public thanks of the Society ; and they are hanging up in their Repository with an inscription.

9 Dec. To visit the late Lord Chancellor. I found him in his garden at his now-built palace, sitting in his gowt wheel-chayre, and seeing the gates setting up towards the North and the fields. He look'd and speake very disconsolately. After some while deploynge his condition to me, I tooke my leave. Next morning I heard he was gon ; tho' I am persuaded that had he gon sooner, tho' but to Cornbury, and their lain quiet, it would have satisfied the Parliament. That w^{ch} exasperated them was his presuming to stay and content the accusation as long as 'twas possible ; and they were on a point of sending him to y^e Tower.

10. I went to the funerall of Mrs. Heath, wife to my worthy friend and schoolfellow.

21. I saw one Carr pheynt at Charing-Cross that day, which was burnt before him by the hangman.

1668. 8 Jan. I saw deede and preudie of a man, a Porters, vast heapes of gold amoungst divers other things, in a manner. This I looked on as a Marvellous sight in a Christian Court.

9. Went to see the Rovells at the Middle Temple, which is also an old but riotous costome, and has relation neither to virtue nor policy.

10. To visite Mr. Povey, where were divers greate Lords to see his well-contrived cellar and other elegancies*.

24. We went to stake out ground for building a Colledge for y^e Royal Society at Arundel House, but did not finish it, which we shall repent of.

4 Feb. I saw y^e tragedy of "Horace" (written by y^e *virtuous* Mrs. Phillips) acted before their Ma^{tes}. Twixt each act a masq and antiquaunce. The excessive gallantry of the ladies was infinite, those especially on that . . . Castlemaine esteem'd at £40,000 and more, far outshining y^e Queene.

15. I saw y^e audience of y^e Swedish Ambass^t Count Dohna, in greate state in the Banqueting-house.

3 Mar. Was launch'd at Deptford, that goodly vessell the Charles. I was neere his Ma^t. She is longer than y^e Soveraine, and carries 110 brasse canon; she was built by old Shish, a plaine honest carpenter, master builder of this dock, but one who can give very little account of his art by discourse, and is hardly capable of reading †, yet of greate abilitie in his calling. The family have been ship carpenters in this yard above 100 yeares.

12. Went to visit Sir John Cotton, who had me into his library, full of good MSS. Greek and Latin, but most famous for those of the Saxon and English Antiquities, collected by his grandfather.

2 April. To the Royall Societie, where I subscrib'd 50,000 bricks towards building a Colledge. Amongst other libertine libels there was one now printed and thrown about, a bold petition of the poore whores to Lady Castlemaine ‡.

9. To London about finishing my grand account of the sick and wounded and prisoners at war, amounting to above £34,000.

* See A. 1669.

† Between the time of Mr. Bradley, who executed such great works for the Duke of Bridgewater, and the middle eighteenth century.

‡ Perhaps he never knew the author.

I heard S^r R. Howard impeach S^r W^m Pen in the House of Lords, for breaking bulk and taking away rich goods out of the E. India prizes formerly taken by Lord Sandwich.

28. To London, about the purchase of Ravensbourn Mills and land around it, in Upper Deptford, of one Mr. Becher.

30. We seal'd the deeds in S^r Edward Thurland's chambers in y^e Inner Temple. I pray God bless it to me, it being a deare pennyworth, but the passion Sir R. Browne had for it, and that it was contiguous to our other grounds, engag'd me.

13 May. Invited by that expert Commander Capt. Cox, master of y^e lately-built Charles the Second, now y^e best vessell of y^e Fleete, design'd for y^e Duke of York, I went to Erith, where we had a greate dinner.

16. Sir Richard Edgecome of Mount Edgecome by Plymouth, my relation, came to visite me; a very virtuous and worthy Gent.

19 June. To a new play with several of my relations, "The Evening Lover*", a foolish plot, and very prophane; it afflicted me to see how the stage was degenerated and polluted by y^e licentious times.

July 2. S^r Sam. Tuke Bart. and the lady he had married this day came and bedded at night at my house, many friends accompanying the bride.

23. At the Royall Society were presented divers *glossa petra*'s and other natural curiosities, found in digging to build y^e Fort at Sheerness; they were just the same as they bring from Malta, pretending them to be vipers teeth, whereas in truth they are of a shark, as we found by comparing them with one in our Repository.

3 Aug. Mr. Bramstone (son to Judge B.) my old fellow-traveller, now Reader at the Middle Temple, invited me to his feast, which was so very extravagant and greate as the like had not ben seene at any time. There were the Duke of Ormond Privy Seal, Bedford, Belays, Halifax, and a world more of Earles and Lords.

* There is no play extant with this name; it may perhaps be a second title to one; Mr. Evelyn frequently mentions only one name of a play that has two. Or it may be Dryden's Comedy of "An Evening's Love, or The Mock Astrologer," which is indeed sufficiently licentious.

14. His Ma^y was pleas'd to grant me a lease of a slip of ground out of Brick Close, to enlarge my fore court, for w^t I now gave him thanks; then entering into other discourse, he talk'd to me of a new vernish for ships instead of pitch, and of y^e gilding with which his new yetcht was beautified. I shew'd his Ma^y the perpetual motion sent to me by Dr. Stokes from Collen; and then came in Mons^r Colbert, yr French Ambassador.

19. I saw y^e magnificent entrie of the French Ambass^r Colbert, receiv'd in y^e Banqueting House. I had never seene a richer coach than that which he came in to White-hall. Standing by his Ma^y at dinner in the Presence, there was of that rare fruit call'd the *King-pine*, growing in Barbados and y^e West Indies, the first of them I had ever seeene*. His Ma^y having cut it up, was pleas'd to give me a piece off his owne plate to taste of, but in my opinion it falls short of those ravishing varieties of deliciousness describ'd in Capt. Ligon's Histery, and others; but possibly it might, or certainly was, much impair'd in coming so far. It has yet a gratefull acidity, but tastes more like y^e quince and melon than of any other fruite he mentions.

28 Aug. Publish'd my book of "The perfection of Painting," dedicated to Mr. Howard.

17 Sept. I entertain'd Sign^r Muccinigo the Venetian Ambass^r, of one of the noblest families of the State, this being the day of making his publick entrie, setting forth from my house with severall gent^r of Venice and others in a very glorious traine. He staid with me till the Earle of Anglesea and S^r Cha. Cotterell (Master of the Ceremonies) came with the King's barge to carry him to y^e Tower, where the gunns were fir'd at his landing; he then entered his Ma^y's coach, follow'd by many others of y^e nobility. I accompanied him to his house, where there was a most noble supper to all the companie of course. After y^e extraordinarie compliments to me and my wife for the civilities he receiv'd at my house, I tooke leave and return'd. He is a very accomplish'd person. He is since Ambassador at Rome.

29. I had much discourse with Sign^r Pietro Cisij, a Persian gent.

* See before, the Queen's pine 1661, p. 338.

about y^e affaires of Turkey, to my greate satisfaction. I went to see S^r Elias Leighton's project of a cart with iron axle-trees.

Nov. 8. Being at dinner, my sister Evelyn sent for me to come up to London to my continuing sick brother.

14. To London, invited to the consecration of that excellent person y^e Deane of Ripon, Dr. Wilkins, now made Bishop of Chester; it was at Ely House, the Archbp. of Canterbury, Dr. Cosin Bishop of Durham, the Bishops of Ely, Salisbury, Rochester, and others officiating. Dr. Tillotson preach'd. Then we went to a sumptuous dinner in y^e Hall, where were the Duke of Buckingham, Judges, Secretaries of State, Lord Keeper, Council, Noblemen, and innumerable other company, who were honourers of this incomparable man, universally beloved by all who knew him.

This being y^e Queene's birth-day, greate was y^e gallantry at White-hall, and y^e night celebrated with very fine fire-works.

My poore brother continuing ill I went not from him till y^e 17th, when dining at y^e Groom Porters I heard Sir Edw. Sutton play excellently on y^e Irish harp; he plays genteelly, but not approching my worthy friend Mr. Clark, a gent. of Northumberland, who makes it exceed lute, viol, and all y^e harmony an instrument is capable of; pity 'tis that it is not more in use; but indeede to play well takes up the whole man, as Mr. Clark has assur'd me who, tho' a gent. of quality and parts, was yet brought up to that instrument from 5 yeares old, as I remember he told me.

25. I waited on Lo. Sandwich, who presented me with the Semibrador he brought out of Spaine, shewing me his two bookees of observations made during his ambassy and stay at Madrid, in which were several rare things he promis'd to impart to me.

27. I din'd at my Lord Ashley's (since Earl of Shaftsbury) when y^e match of my niece* was propos'd for his onely sonn, in w^{ch} my assistance was desir'd for my Lord.

28. Dr. Patrick preached at Covent Garden on 17 Act^v, 31, the certainty of Christ's coming to judgement, it being Advent; a most suitable discourse.

* Probably the daughter of his brother Richard of Epsom, who married Mr. Mowbray.

19 Dec. I went to see y^e old play of "Cataline" acted, having ben now forgotten almost 40 years.

20 Dec. I din'd with my Lord Cornbury at Clarendon House, now bravely furnish'd, especiaaly with the pictures of most of our ancient and modern witts, poets, philosophers, famous and learned Englishmen; which collection of the Chancellor's I much commended, and gave his Lordship a catalogue of more to be added *.

* In a letter to the Lord Chancellor dated 18 March 1666-7, Mr. Evelyn says:

"My Lord, y^e L^r enquires of me what pictures might be added to the Assembly of the Learned and Heroic persons of England, which your L^r has already collected; the designe of which I do infinitly more magnifie than the most famous heads of Foreigners which do not concern the glory of our Country; and it is in my opinion the most honorable ornament, the most becoming and obliging, wh^{ch} y^e L^r can thinkes of to adorne y^e palace without: such therefore as seem to be wanting I shall range under these three heads.

THE LEARNED.

Sir Hen. Savell.	Win. Hooker.	Ven. Bede.
Abp. of Armagh.	Dr. Sanderson.	Jo. Duns Scotus.
Dr. Harvey.	Wm. Oughtred.	Alcuinus.
Sir H. Wotton.	M. Phillips.	Ridley, } martyrs.
Sir T. Bayley.	Rog. Bacon.	Latimer,
G. Buchanan.	Geo. Ripley.	Roger Ascham.
Jo. Barley.	Wm. of Occam.	Sir J. Cheke.
Ed. Spencer.	Hadrian 4th.	Lady's { Eliz. Joan Weston.
Wm. Lilly.	Alex. Ales.	Jane Grey.

POLITIANS.

Sir Fra. Walsingham.	Sir W. Raleigh.	Sir T. Smith.
E. of Leicester.	Card. Wolsey.	Card. Pole.

SOULDIERS.

Sir Fra. Drake.	Tho. Cavendish.	Talbot.
Sir J. Hawkins.	Sir Ph. Sidney.	Sir F. Grevill.
Sir Martin Frobisher.	E. of Essex.	Hor. E. of Oxford.

"Some of which, tho' difficult to procure originals of, yet happily copyes might be found out upon diligent enquiry. The rest I thinke y^e L^r has already in good proportion."

Mr. Evelyn, in a letter to Mr. Pepys, dated 18 Aug. 1669, tells him that the Lord Chancellor Clarendon had collected Portraits of very many of our great men; and putt them downe promiscuously as he remcolled them (see vol. II. pp. 241, 242). Mr. Evelyn also there gives a list of Portraits which he recommended to be added, a little different from the list contained in the preceding letter to the Lord Chancellor, and remarks that "When Lord Clarendon's designe of making this

* For an account of her see Ballard's Learned Ladies. There is a very scarce volume of Latin Poems by her printed at Prague, 1666. Mr. Evelyn mentions her in his Numismata. She is much celebrated by the writers of her time.

31. I entertained my kind neighbours according to costome, giving Almighty God thanks for his gracious mercys to me the past years.

1669. 1 Jan. Imploring His blessing for the yeare entring, I went to church, where our Doctor preached on 65 Psalm 19. apposite to y^e season and beginning a new yeare.

3. About this time one of S^r W^m Pep's sonnes had publish'd a blasphemous book against the Deity of our blessed Lord.

29. I went to see a tall gigantic woman, who measur'd 6 feet 10 inches high *, at 21 years old, born in the Low Countries.

13 Feb. I presented his Ma^v with my "Historie of the Foure Impostors;" he told me of other like cheates. I gave my booke to Lord Arlington, to whom I dedicated it. It was now that he began to tempt me about writing "the Dutch War."

15. Saw Mrs. Philips's "Horace" acted againe.

18. To the R^l. Society, when Signor Malpighi, an Italian physician & anatomist, sent the Societie the incomparable Historie of the Silk-worme.

1 Mar. Din'd at Lord Arlington's at Goring House with the Bishop of Hereford.

4. To the Council of the R. Society, about disposing my Lord Howard's Librarie, now given to us.

16. To London, to place Mr. Christopher Wase about my Lord Arlington.

18. I went with Lord Howard of Norfolk to visit S^r W^m Dacie at Charlton, where we din'd; the servants made our coachmen so drunk that they both fell off their boxes on the heath, where we were fain to leave them, and were driven to London by two servants of my Lord's. This barbarous custom of making the masters welcome by intoxicating the servants had now the second time happen'd to my coachman.

collection was known, every body who had any of the portraites, or could purchase them at any price, shrore to make their court by presenting them. By this means he got many excellent pieces of Vandyke, and other originals by Ley and other the best of our modern masters." (Ibid. p. 244.)

* A few years ago there was living in England a giant woman, who was 7 feet 3 inches high. She died about the age of 87. (1816.)

My sonn came finally from Oxon.

2 April. Dine'd at Mr. Treasurer's, where was (with many noblemen) Col. Titus of the bed-chamber, author of y^e famous piece against Cromwell, "Killing no Murder."

I now plac'd Mr. Wase with Mr. Williamson, Secretary to y^e Secretary of State, and Clerk of y^e Papers.

14. I din'd with the Abp. of Canterbury at Lambeth, and saw the Library, which was not very considerable.

19 May. At a Council of the R. Society our grant was finish'd, in w^{ch} his Ma^v gives us Chelsey Colledge and some land about it. It was order'd that 5 should be a quorum for a Council. The Vice-President was then sworn for y^e first time, and it was propos'd how we should receive the Prince of Tuscany, who desir'd to visit the Society.

20. This evening at 10 o'clock was borne my third daughter, who was baptiz'd on the 25th by the name of Susanna.

3 June. Went to take leave of Lord Howard, going Ambass^t to Morocco. Dined at Lord Arlington's, where were the Earle of Berksire, L^d S^t John, Sir Robert Howard, & Sir R. Holmes.

10. Came my Lord Cornbury, S^r William Poulton, and others, to visite me. I went this evening to London, to carry Mr. Pepys to my brother Rich^t, now exceedingly afflicted with the stone, who had ben successfully cut, and carried the stene as big as a tennis-ball, to shew him and encourage his resolution to go thro' the operation.

30. My wife went a journey of pleasure down the river as far as y^e Sea, with Mrs. Howard, and her daughter the Maid of Honour, and others, amongst whom that excellent creature Mrs. Blagge.

7 July. I went towards Oxford; lay at little Wycomb.—8. At Oxford.

9. In the morning was celebrated the Encenia of the New Theater, so magnificently built by the munificence of Dr. Gilbert Sheldon, Abp. of Canterbury, in which was spent £25,000, as Sir Chr^t Wren, the architect, (as I remember) told me; and yet it was never scene by the benefactor, my Lord Abp. having told me that he never did nor ever would see it. It is in truth a fabrick comparable to any of this kind of former ages, and doubtless exceeding any of the present, at this Univer-

sity does for Colledges, Libraries, Scholes, Students, and order, all the Universities in the world. To the Theater is added the famous Sheldonian Printing-house. This being at the Act and the first time of opening the Theater (Acts being formerly kept in St. Mary's church, which might be thought indecent, that being a place set apart for the immediate worship of God, and was the inducement for building this noble pile) it was now resolv'd to keep the present Act in it, and celebrate its dedication with the greatest splendor and formalitie that might be, and therefore drew a world of strangers and other compaines to the University from all parts of y^e nation.

The Vice Chancellor, Heads of Houses, and Doctors, being seated in magisterial seates, the Vice Chancellor's chairo and deske, Proctors, &c. cover'd with Brocatall (a kind of brocade) and cloth of gold; the Universitie Register read the founder's grant and gift of it to the Universitie for their scolastic exercises upon these solemn occasions. Then follow'd Dr. South, the Universitie's Orator, in an eloquent speech, which was very long, and not without some malicious and indecent reflections on the Royal Society, as underminers of the University, which was very foolish and untrue, as well as unseasonable. But, to let that pass from an ill natur'd man, the rest was in praise of the Archbishop and the ingenious architect. This ended, after loud musiq from the corridor above, where an organ was plac'd, there follow'd divers panegyric speeches both in prose and verse, interchangeably pronouned by the young students plac'd in the rostrums, in Pindarics, Eclogues, Heroics, &c. mingled with excellent musiq, vocal and instrumental, to entertain the ladies and the rest of the company. A speech was then made in praise of academical learning. This lasted from 11 in the morning till 7 at night, which was concluded with ringing of bells and universal joy and feasting.

10. The next day began the more solemn Lectures in all y^e Faculties, which were perform'd in their several scholes, where all the Inceptor Doctors did their exercises, the Professors having first ended their reading. The assembly now return'd to the Theater, where the *Terrificus* (the *Universitie Buffoon*) entertain'd the auditoris with a tedious, abusive, sarcastical rhapsodie, most unbecoming the gravity of the

Universitie, and that so grossly; that unlesse it be suppress'd, it will be of ill consequence, as I afterwards plainly express'd my sense of it both to y^e Vice Chancellor and severall heads of houses, who were perfectly ashamed of it, and resolv'd to take care of it in future. The old facetious way of raillyng upon the questions was left off, falling wholly upon persons, so that 'twas rather licentious lyeing and railing than genuine and noble witt. In my life I was never witnessse of so shamefull entertainment. After this ribaundry, the Proctors made their speeches. Then began y^e Musick Act, vocal and instrumental, above in y^e ballustrade corridore opposite to the Vice Chancellor's seate. Then Dr. Wallis, the Mathematical Professor, made his Oration, and created one Doctor of Musiq according to the usual ceremonies of gowne (which was of white damask), cap, ring, kisse, &c. Next follow'd y^e Disputations of the Inceptor Doctors in Medicine, the Speech of their Professor Dr. Hyde, and so in course their respective creations. Then disputed the Inceptors of Law, the Speech of their Professor, and creation. Lastly, Inceptors in Theologie: Dr. Compton (brother to the Earle of Northampton) being junior, began with greate modesty and applause; so the rest. After wth Dr. Tillotson, Dr. Sprat, &c. and then Dr. Allestree's speech, y^e King's Professor, and their respective creations. Last of all the Vice Chancellor, shutting up the whole in a panegyrical oration, celebrating their benefactor and the rest, apposite to the occasion.

Thus was the Theater dedicated by the scholastic exercises in all the Faculties with greate solemnity; and the night, as y^e former, entertaining the new Doctors friends in feasting and musiq. I was invited by Dr. Barlow, the worthy and learned Provost of Queene's Coll.

11. The Act Sermon was this forenoon preach'd by Dr. Hall in St. Maries, in an honest practical discourse against Atheisme. In the afternoon the Church was so crowded, that not coming early I could not approach to hearre.

12. Monday. Was held the Divinity Act in the Theater againe, when proceeded 17 Doctors, in all Faculties some.

13. I din'd at the Vice-Chancellor's, and spent the afternoone in seeing the rarities of the publick libraries, and visiting y^e noble marbles

and inscriptions, now inserted in the walles that compasse the aret of the Theater, which were 150 of the most ancient and worthy treasure of that kind in the learned world. Now observing that people approching them too neere, some idle persons began to scratch and injure them, I advis'd that an hedges of holly should be planted at the foot of y^e wall, to be kept breast-high onely, to protect them, which the Vice-Chancellor promis'd to do the next season.

14. Dr. Fell *, Dean of Christ-church and Vice-Chancellor, with Dr. Allestree Professor, with Beadles and Maces before them, came to visite me at my lodging.— I went to visite Lord Howard's sons at Magdalen College.

15. Having two daies before had notice that the University intended me the honour of Doctor-ship, I was this morning attened by the Beadles belonging to the Law, who conducted me to the Theater, where I found the Duke of Ormond (now Chancellor of the Universitie) with y^e Earl of Chesterfield and Mr. Spencer (brother to y^e late Earl of Sunderland). Thence we march'd to the Convocation House, a Convocation having ben call'd on purpose; here, being all of us rob'd in the Porch in scarlett with caps and hoods, we were led in by the Professor of Laws and presented respectively by name, with a short eulogie, to the Vice-Chancellor, who sate in the chaire, with all the Doctors and Heads of Houses and Masters about y^e roome, which was exceeding full. Then began the Publiqu Orator his speech, directed chiefly to the Duke of Ormond the Chancellor, but in which I had my compliment in course. This ended, we were call'd up and created Doctors according to the forme, and seated by the Vice-Chancellor amongst the Doctors on his right hand; then the Vice-Chancellor made a short speech, and so saluting our brother Doctors, the pageantry concluded, and the Convocation war dissolved. So formal a creation of Honorable Doctors had seldom ben seene, that a Convocation should be call'd on purpose and speeches made by the Orator; but they could do no lesse, their Chancellor being to receive, or rather du them, this honour. I should have ben made Doctor with the rest at the Publiqu Act, but their expectation

* Afterwards Bishop of Oxford.

of their Chancellor made them defer it. I was then led with my brother Doctors to an extraordinary entertainment at Dr. Mewes, Head of St. John's College, and after abundance of feasting and compliments, having visited the Vice-Chancellor and other Doctors, and given them thanks for the honour done me, I went towards home the 16th, and got as far as Windsor, and to my house y^e next day.

4 Aug. I was invited by Sir Hen. Peckham to his Reading feast in the Middle Temple, a pompous entertainment, where were the Abp. of Canterbury, all the greate Earles and Lords, &c. I had much discourse with my Lord Winchelsea, a prodigious talker; and the Venetian Ambass^t.

17. To London, spending almost the intire day in surveying what progresse was made in rebuilding the ruinous Citty, which now began a little to revive after its sad calamitie.

20. I saw the splendid audience of y^c Danish Ambass^t in the Banqueting House at White-hall.

23. I went to visite my most excellent and worthy neighbour the L^d Bishop of Rochester at Bromely, which he was now repairing after the dilapidations of the late rebellion.

2 Sept. I was this day very ill of a paine in my limbs, which continued most of this weeke & was increased by a visite I made to my old acquaintance the Earle of Norwich at his house in Epping Forest, where are many good pictures put into the wainscot of the roomes, which Mr. Baker, his Lordship's predecessor there, brought out of Spaine; especially the *Historie of Joseph*, a picture of the pious and learned Pieus Mirandula, and an incomparable one of old Breugle. The gardens were well understood, I mean the *Potagere*. I return'd late in y^e evening, ferryng over y^e water at Greenewich.

26. To Church to give God thanks for my recovery.

Oct. 3. I received the Blessed Eucharist to my unspeakable joy.

21. To y^r R. Society, meeting for the first time after a long recess, during Vacation, according to custome; where was read a description of the prodigious Eruption of Mount Etna; and our English Itinerant presented an account of his autumnal perigrination about England, for which we hired him, bringing dried fowls, fish, plants, animals, &c.

26. My deare brother continued extreamely full of paine, the Lord be gracious to him!

Nov. 3. This being the day of meeting for the poore, we dined neighbourly together.

25. I heard an excellent discourse by Dr. Patrick on the resurrection; & afterwards visited the Countesse of Kent, my kindswoman.

8 Dec. To London, upon y^e second edition of my "Sylva," which I presented to the Royal Society.

1670. Feb. 6. Dr John Breton, M^r of Emanuel Coll. in Cambridge, (uncle to our Viccar,) preached on 1 John 27, "*whose shoe latchet I am not worthy to unloose, &c.*" describing the various fashions of shoos or sandals worn by y^e Jewes & other nations: of y^e ornaments of the feete: how greate persons had servants y^t tooke them off when they came to their houses, & bare them after them: by which pointing the dignitie of o^r Saviour, when such a person as St John Baptist acknowledges his unworthiness even of that meane office. The lawfulnessse, decentnesse, & necessitie, of subordinate degrees & ranks of men & servants, as well in y^e Church as State: against y^e late levellers & others of that dangerous rabble who would have all alike.

3 Mar. Finding my brother [Richard] in such exceeding torture, and that he now began to fall into convulsion fits, I solemnly set y^e next day apart to beg of God to mitigate his sufferings and prosper the onely meanes which yet remained for his recovery, he being not only much wasted but exceedingly and all along averse from being cut (for the stone); but when he at last consented, and it came to y^e operation and all things prepar'd, his spirit and resolution failed.

6. Dr Patrick preached in Covent Garden church. I participated of the blessed Sacrament, recommending to God the deplorable condition of my deare brother, who was almost in y^e last agonies of death. I watched late with him this night. It pleased God to deliver him out of this miserable life, towards five o'clock this Monday morning, to my unspeakable griefe. He was a brother whom I most dearly lov'd for his many virtues; but two yeares younger than myself, a sober, prudent, worthy gentleman. He had married a greate fortune, and left one onely daughter, and a noble seat at Woodcote in surrey. His body was

open'd, and a stone taken out of his bladder, not much bigger than a nutmeg. I returned home on the 8th, full of sadnessse, & to bereave my losse.

20. A stranger preached at the Savoy French Church: the Liturgie of the Ch: of England being now used altogether, as translated into French by Dr. Durell.

21. We all accompanied the corpse of my dear brother to Epsom church, where he was decently interr'd in y^e chapell belonging to Woodcote House. A greate number of friends and gentlemen of the country attended, about 20 coaches and six horses, and innumerable people.

22. I went to Westm', where in the House of Lords I saw his Ma^t sit on his throne, but without his robes, all the Peeres sitting with their hatts on; the business of the day being the divorce of my Lord Rosse. Such an occasion and sight had not ben scene in England since the time of Hen. VIII.*

5 May. To London, concerning the office of Latine Secretary to his Ma^t, a place of more honor and dignitie than profit, the reversion of which he had promised me.

21. Came to visite me Mr. Henry Savill, and Sr Char Scarborow.

26. Receiving a letter from Mr. Philip Howard, Lord Almoner to the Queen †, that Mous^r Evelin, first physitian to Madame (who was now come to Dover to visit the King her brother), was come to towne, greatly desirous to see me, but his stay so short that he could not come to me, I went with my brother to meeete him at the Tower,

* "When there was a project, 1669, for getting a divorce for the King, to facilitate it, there was brought into the House of Lords a bill for dissolving the marriage of Lord Rosse, on account of adultery, and to give him leave to marry again. This bill, after great debates, passed by the plurality of only two votes, and that by the great industry of the Lord's friends, as well as the Duke's enemies, who carried it on chedely in hopes it might be a precedent, and inducement for the King to enter the more easily into their late proposals; nor were they a little encouraged therein, when they saw the King countenance and drive on the bill in Lord Rosse's favour. Of 18 Bishops that were in the House, only two voted for the bill, of which one voted through age, and one was reputed a Sodomit."—These, in a note, are said to be Dr. Cosin, Bishop of Durham, and Dr. Wilkins, Bishop of Chester.

† Afterwards created Cardinal.

where he was seeing the magazines and other curiosities, having never before ben in England : we renew'd our alliance and friendship, with much regret on both sides that he being to returne towards Dover that evening, we could not enjoy one another any longer. How this French familie, Ivelin, of Evelin in Normaudy, a very ancient and noble house, is grafted into our Pedigree, see in y^e collection brought from Paris 1650.

16 June. I went with some friends to y^e Bear Garden, where was cock-fighting, dog-fighting, beare and bull baiting, it being a famous day for all these butcherly sports, or rather barbarous cruelties. The bulls did exceeding well, but the Irish wolfe-dog exceeded, which was a tall greyhound, a stately creature indeede, who beat a cruell mastiff. One of the bulls toss'd a dog full into a *lady's lap*, as she sate in one of y^e boxes at a considerable height from the arena. Two poore dogs were kill'd, and so all ended with the ape on horseback, and I most heartily weary of the rude and dirty pastime, which I had not scene, I think, in twenty yeares before.

18. Dined at Goring House, whither my Lo. Arlington carried me from White-hall with the Marquis of Worcester ; there we found Lo. Sandwich, Viscount Stafford [since beheaded], the Lieutenant of y^e Tower, and others. After dinner my Lord communicated to me his Ma^{ts} desire that I would undertake to write the History of our late War with the Hollanders, which I had hitherto declin'd ; this I found was ill-taken, and that I should disoblige his Ma^v, who had made choice of me to do him this service, and if I would undertake it I should have all the assistance the Secretary's office and others could give me, with other encouragements, which I could not decently refuse.

Lord Stafford rose from table in some disorder because there were roses stuck about the fruite when the discret was set on the table ; such an antipathie, it seems, he had to them as once Lady Selenger^{*} also had and to that degree, that, as S^r Kenelm Digby tells us, laying but a rose upon her cheeke when she was asleepe, it rais'd a blister[†] but S^r Kenelm was a teller of strange things.

24. Came the Earle of Huntingdon and Countesse, with y^e L^d Shearard, to visite us.

29. To London, in order to my niece's marriage, Mary, daughter to my late brother Richard, of Woodcot, with y^r eldest son of Mr. Attorney Monutague, which was celebrated at Southampton House Chapell, after which a magnificent entertainment, feast and dauncing, dinner and supper, in the great roome there, but the bride was bedded at my sister's lodging in Drurie lane.

6 July. Came to visite me Mr. Stanhope, Gent. Usher to her Majestie, and unkle to the Earle of Chesterfield, a very fine man, with my Lady Hutcheson.

19. I accompanied my worthy friend that excellent man S^r Robt Murray, with Mr. Slingsby, Master of the Mint, to see y^e latter's seate and estate at Burrow Green in Cambridgeshire, he desiringe our advice for placeing a new house, which he was resolv'd to build*; we set out in a coach and six horses with him and his lady, din'd about midway at one Mr. Turner's, where we found a very noble dinner, venison, musiq, and a circle of country ladies and their gallants. After dinner we proceeded, and came to Burrow Green that night. This had ben the ancient seate of y^r Checkes (whose daughter Mr. Slingsby married), formerly Tutor to K. Edw. VI. The old house large and ample, and built for ancient hospitalitie, ready to fall down with age, plac'd in a dirty hole, a stiffe clay, no water, next an adjoyning church-yard, and with other inconveniences. We pitch'd on a spot of rising ground, adorn'd with venerable woods, a dry and sweete prospect East and West, and fit for a parke, but no running water; at a mile distance from the old house.

20. We went to dine at Lord Allington's †, who had newly built a house of greate cost, I believe little less than £20,000‡. His archi-

* It is probable that he did not build, and that after his misfortunes, which will be mentioned hereafter, it was sold. Mr. Lysons, in his Britannia, under Cambridgeshire, says, that what remains of an old brick mansion, is now a farm-house.

† Since Constable of the Tower.

‡ At Horrath. The Allingtons santed here before 1239: William created an Irish Peer, by the title of Lord Allington, in 1646. Mr. Lysons says the building cost £70,000, and with the

tect was Mr. Pratt. It is seated in a parke, with a sweete prospect and stately avenue, but water still defective; the house has also its infirmities. Went back to Mr. Slingsby's.

22. We rod out to see the greate meere or levell of recover'd fen lande, not far off. In the way we met Lord Arlington going to his house in Suffolk, accompanied with Count Ognati the Spanish Minister, and S^r Bernard Gascoigne; he was very importunate with me to go with him to Euston, being but fifteen miles distant, but in regard of my companie I could not. So passing thro' Newmarket, we alighted to see his Ma^{tes} house there, now new building; the arches of the cellars beneath are well turn'd by Mr. Samuel the architect, the rest meane enough and hardly fit for a hunting house. Many of the roomes above had the chimnies plac'd in ye angles and corners, a mode now introduce'd by his Ma^y w^{ch} I do at no hand approve of. I predict it will spoile many noble houses and roomes if follow'd. It does onely well in very small and trifling roomes, but takes from the state of greater. Besides this house is plac'd in a dirty streete, without any court or avenue, like a common one, whereas it might, and ought to have ben built at either end of the towne, upon the very carpet where the sports are celebrated; but it being the purchase of an old wretched house of my Lord Thomond's, his Ma^y was persuaded to set it on that foundation, the most improper imaginable for a house of sport and pleasure*.

We went to see the stables and fine horses, of w^{ch} many were here kept at a vast expense, with all the art and tendernesse imaginable.

Being ariv'd at some meeres, we found Lord Wotton and Sir John Kiviet† about their draiuing engines, having it seemes undertaken to do wonders on a vast piece of marsh ground they had hired of S^r Thomas Chichley (Ma^r of y^e Ordnance.) They much pleas'd themselves with the hopes of a rich harvest of hemp and cole seed, w^{ch} was the crop

estate was sold in 1687 to John Bromley, esq. for £49,000. He expended £20,000 more on the building. His grandson was created Lord Montford in 1741. In 1777 the second Lord Montford sold the estate, the house being sold in 1777 for the materials, to be pulled down. *Lynx, Cambridgeshire*, p. 216, 217.

* It was sold by the Crown in 1816.

† Of him see before, p. 401.

expected. Here we visited the engines and mills both for wind and water, draining it thro' two rivers or graffs cut by hand and capable of carrying considerable barges, which went thwart one the other, discharging the water into ye sea. Such at this spot had ben the former winter, it was astonishing to see it now drie and so rich that weeds grew on the bankes almost as high as a man and horse. Here my Lord and his partner had built 2 or 3 roomes with Flanders white bricks, very hard. One of the greate engines was in the kitchen, where I saw the fish swim up, even to the very chimney hearth, by a small cut thro' the roome, and running within a foote of ye very fire.

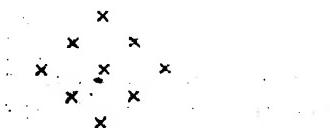
Having after dinner rid about that vast levell, pester'd with heate and swarmes of gnatts, we return'd over New-market Heath, the way being mostly a sweet turfe and down, like Salisbury Plaine, the jockies breathing their fine barbs and racers, and giving them their heates.

23 July. We return'd from Burrow Green to London, staying some time at Audley End to see that fine palace. It is indeede a cheerefull piece of Gotic building, or rather *antico moderno*, but placed in an obscure bottome. The cellars and galleries are very stately. It has a river by it, a pretty avenue of limes, and in a parke.

This is in Saffron Walden parish, famous for that usefull plant, with w^{ch} all y^e countrie is cover'd.

Dining at Bishop Stortford, we came late to London.

5 Aug. There was sent me by a neighbour a servant maid, who in the last moneth, as she was sitting before her mistress at work, felt a stroke on her arme a little above the wrist for some height; the smart of which, as if struck by another hand, caus'd her to hold her arme awhile till somewhat mitigated, but it put her into a kind of convulsion or rather hysterick fit. A gentleman coming casually in, looking on her arme, found that part poudered with red crosses, set in most exact and wonderfull order, neither swelled nor depressed, about this shape,



not seeming to be any way made by artifice, of a reddish colour, not so red as blood, the skin over them smooth, the rest of the arme livid and of a mortified hue, with certainte prints as it were of the stroke of fingers. This had happeu'd three severall times in July, at about 10 days intervall, the crosses beginning to weare out, but the successive ones set in other different, yet uniforme order. The maid seemed very modest, and came from London to Deptford with her mistress to avoid the discourse and importunity of curious people. She made no gaine by it, pretended no religious fancies, but seemed to be a plaine, ordinary, silent, working wench, somewhat fat, short, and high colour'd. She told me divers divines and physitians had seene her, but were unsatisfied; that she had taken some remedies against her fits, but they did her no good; she had never before had any fits; once since she seem'd in her sleepe to hear one say to her, that she should trespere no more with them, nor trouble herselfe with any thing that happen'd, but put her trust in ye merits of Christ onely.

This is the substance of what she told me, and what I saw and curiously examin'd. I was formerly acquainted with the impostorous Nuns of Loudune in France, which made such noise amongst the Papists, I therefore thought this worth the notice. I remember Mons' Monconys (that curious traveller and a Roman Catholic) was by no means satisfied with ye stigmata of those Nuns, because they were so shy of letting him scrape the letters, which were Jesus, Maria, Joseph, (as I think) observing they began to scale off with it, whereas this poore wench was willing to submit to any trial; so that I profess I know not what to think of it, nor dare I pronounce it any thing supernaturall.

26. At Windsor I supp'd with the Duke of Monmouth; and the next day, invited by Lord Arlington, din'd with the same Duke and divers Lords. After dinner my Lord and I had a conference of more than an houre alone in his bedchamber, to engage me in the Historie. I shew'd him something that I had drawn up, to his greate satisfaction, and he desir'd me to shew it to the Treasurer.

28. One of the Canons preach'd, then followed the offering of the Knights of the Order, according to custom; first the poore Knights in

procession, then the Canons in their formalities, the Deane and Chancellor, then his Ma^y (the Soveraine), then the Duke of York, Prince Rupert, lastly the Earle of Oxford, being all the Knights that were then at Court.

I din'd with the Treasurer, and consulted with him what pieces I was to add; in the afternoone his Ma^y tooke me aside into the baleonic over the terrace, extreamely pleas'd with what had ben told him I had begun in order to his commands, and enjoyning me to proceede vigorously in it. He told me he had ordered y^e Secretaries of State to give me all necessary assistance of papers and particulars relating to it, and enjoyning me to make it a *little keene*, for that the Hollanders had very unhandsomely abus'd him in their pictures, books, and libells.

Windsor was now going to be repaired, being exceedingly ragged and ruinous. Prince Rupert, the Constable, had begun to trim up the keepe or high round tower, and handsomely adorn'd his hall with furniture of armes, which was very singular, by so disposing y^e pikes, muskets, pistols, handeliers, holsters, drums, back, breast, and head pieces, as was very extraordinary. Thus those huge steepe stayres ascending to it had y^e walls invested with this martial furniture all new and bright, so disposing y^e handeliers, holsters, and drums, as to represent festoons, and that without any confusion, trophy like. From the hall we went into his bedchamber, and ample roomes hung with tapissrie, curious and effeminate pictures; so extreamely different from the other, which presented nothing but warr and horror.

The King pass'd most of his time in hunting the stag, and walking in the parkes, which he was now planting with rows of trees.

13. To visite S^r Rich^d Lashford, my kinsman, and Mr. Charles Howard at his extraordinary garden at Dipden.

15. I went to visit Mr. Arthur Onslow at West Clandon, a pretty dry seate on y^a Downes, where we din'd in his greate roome.

17. To visit Mr. Hussey*, who being neere Wotton, lives in a sweete vally deliciously watered.

23. To Alburie to see how that garden proceeded, which I found exactly done to the designe and plot I had made, with the crypta thro'

* At Sutton in Shere.

the mountaine in the park, 30 perches in length. Such a Pansilippe* is no where in Engeland besides. The canall was now digging, and the vineyard planted.

14 October. I spent the whole afternoon in private with the Treasurer, who put into my hands those secret pieces and transactions concerning the Dutch war, and particularly the expedition of Bergen, in which he had himselfe the cheife part, and gave me instructions, till the King arriving from New-market we both went up into his bed-chamber.

21. Din'd with the Treass', and after dinner we were shut up together. I receiv'd other [further] advises, and ten paper booke's of dispatches and treaties; to return which againe I gave a note under my hand to Mr. Jos. Williamson, Master of the Paper Office.

31. I was this morning fifty yeares of age: The Lord teach me to number my daies so, as to apply them to his glory: Amen.

4 Nov. Saw the Prince of Orange newly coine to see the King his uncle; he has a manly, courageous, wise countenance, resembling his mother and the Duke of Gloucester, both deceas'd.

I now also saw that famous beauty, but in my opinion of a childish, simple, and baby face, Mademoiselle Querouaille †, lately Maide of Hon' to Madame, and now to be so to y^e Queene.

23. Din'd with the Earle of Arlington, where was the Venetian Ambassador, of whom I now tooke solemne leave, now on his returne. There were also Lords Howard, Wharton, Windsor, and divers other greate persons.

24. I din'd with y^e Treas', where was y^e Earle of Rochester, a very prophane wit.

15 December. It was the thickest and darkest fogg on the Thames that was ever known in y^e memory of man, and I happened to be in

* A word adopted by Mr. Evelyn for a subterranean passage, from the famous grot of Pa-silipo, at Naples.

† Henrietta, the King's sister, married to Philip Duke of Orléans, was then on a visit here. Madame Querouaille came over in her train, on purpose to entice Charles into an union with Lewis XIV. which unluckily succeeded but too well. She became the King's old nurse, was made Duchess of Portsmouth, and was his favourite till his death. See pp. 442, 443.

the very midst of it. I supped with Mons^r Zulestein, late Governor to y^e late Prince of Orange.

1671. 10 Jan. Mr. Bohun, my son's tutor, had ben 5 yeares in my house, and now Bachelor of Laws and Fellow of New Coll. went from me to Oxford to reside there, having well and faithfully perform'd his charge.

18. This day I first acquainted his Ma^s with that incomparable young man Gibbon*, whom I had lately met with in an obscure place

* Usually known by the name of Gibbons; celebrated for his exquisite carving. His principal performance is said to be at Petworth. The following account of him appears in Walpole's Catalogue of Painters, and incidental notes of other Artists, collected by Geo. Vertue.

"Grinling Gibbon."—An original genius, a citizen of nature. There is no instance before him of a man who gave to wood the loose and airy lightness of flowers, and chained together the various productions of the elements with the free disorder natural to each species. It is uncertain whether he was born in Holland or in England; it is said that he lived in Bell Savage Court, Ludgate hill, and was employed by Betterton in decorating the Theatre in Dorset Garden. He lived afterwards at Deptford, in the same house with a musician, where the benevolent and curious Mr. Evelyn found and patronised both. This gentleman, Sir P. Lely, and Bap. May, who was something of an Architect himself, recommended Gibbons to Cha. II. who was too indolent to search for genius, and too indiscriminate in his bounty to confine it to merit, but was always pleased when it was brought home to him. He gave the artist a place in the Board of Works, and employed his hand on ornaments of most taste in his palaces, particularly at Windsor. Gibbon, in gratitude, made a present of his own bust in wood to Mr. Evelyn, who kept it at his house in Dover street. The piece that had struck so good a judge was a large carving in wood of St. Stephen stoned, long preserved in the sculptor's own house, and afterwards purchased and placed by the Duke of Chandos at Cannons."

Mr. Walpole is not quite correct in this account. Gibbon, when young, was found by Mr. Evelyn in a small house at Deptford, working on that famous piece from Tintoret, here said to represent the stoning of St. Stephen, and which seems from Mr. Evelyn's account, to have been his first performance of consequence. It must have been afterwards that he lived in Belle Sauvage Yard, and that he worked on the Theatre in Dorset Gardens. Mr. Evelyn does not mention a musician, and says there was only an old woman with him in the house at Deptford. It was Mr. Evelyn who recommended him to the King, to Mr. May the architect, and to Sir Christopher Wren. Of the bust nothing is known at Wotton.

Copy from an original Letter addressed by G. Gibbon to Mr. Evelyn, now at Wotton.

Honored

S^r I wold beg the faver wen you see Sr Joseff Williams (Williamson) again you wold be pleased to speack to him that bee wold get me to Carve his Ladis sons houn my Lord Kildare for I understand it wll (be) verry considerabell ar if you haen Acquaintans wch my Lord to speack to him his self and I shall for Ev're be obliaged to You I wold speack to Sir Josef my self but I know it wold do better from you

S^r your Most umbell

Servant

Lond. 23 Mar. 1689.

G. Gibbon.

Mr. Evelyn wrote to Lord Kildare recommending Mr. Gibbon; and to Mr. Gibbon with the letter.

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by meere accident as I was walking neere a poore solitary thatched house, in a field in our parish, neere Saya Court. I found him shut in; but looking in at the window I perceiv'd him carving that large cartoon or crucifix of Tintoret, a copy of which I had myselfe brought from Venice, where the original painting remaines. I asked if I might enter; he open'd the door civilly to me, and I saw him about such a work as for y^e curiosity of handling, drawing, and studious exactnesse, I never had before scene in all my travells. I questioned him why he worked in such an obscure and lonesome place; he told me it was that he might apply himselfe to his profession without interruption, and wondred not a little how I had found him out. I asked if he was unwilling to be made knowne to some greate man, for that I believed it might turn to his profit; he answer'd he was yet but a beginner, but would not be sorry to sell off that piece; on demanding the price, he said 100l. In good earnest the very frame was worth the money, there being nothing in nature so tender and delicate as the flowers and festoons about it, and yet the worke was very strong; in the piece were more than 100 figures of men, &c. I found he was likewise musical, and very civil, sober, and discrete in his discourse. There was onely an old woman in the house. So desiring leave to visite him sometimes, I went away.

Of this young artist, together with my manner of finding him out, I acquainted the King, and begg'd that he wold give me leave to bring him and his worke to Whitehall, for that I would adventure my reputation with his Ma^y that he had never scene any thing approach it, and that he would be exceedingly pleased, and employ him. The King said he would himselfe go see him. This was the first notice his Majestie ever had of Mr. Gibbon.

20. The King came to me in the Queen's withdrawing room from the circle of ladies, to talk with me as to what advance I had made in the Dutch Historie. I din'd with the Tress^s, and afterwards we went to the Secretarie's Office, where we conferred about divers particulars.

21. I was directed to go to S^r Geo. Downing, who having ben a publick minister in Holland at the beginning of y^e war, was to give me light in some materiall passages.

This yeare the weather was so wet, stormy, and unseasonable, as had not ben knowne in many yeares.

9 Febry. I saw the greates ball danc'd by the Queene and distinguishe ladies at White-hall Theater. Next day was acted there the famous play call'd "The Siege of Granada*", two days acted successively; there were indeede very glorious sceneas and perspectives, the worke of Mr. Streeter, who well understands it.

19. This day din'd with me Mr. Surveyor Dr. Chr^r Wren, and Mr. Pepys, Clerke of the Acts, two extraordinary ingenious and knowing persons, and other friends. I carried them to see the piece of carvynge wh^t I had recommended to the King.

25. Came to visit me one of the Lords Commiss^rs of Scotland for the Union.

28. The Treasurer acquainted me that his Ma^t was graciously pleas'd to nominate me one of the Council of Forraine Plantations, and give me a salary of 500*l. p^r. ann.* to encourage me.

29. I went to thank the Treasurer, who was my greate friend and loved me; I dined with him and much company, and went thence to my Lo. Arlington, Secretary of State, in whose favour I likewise was upon many occasions, tho' I cultivated neither of their friendships by any meane submissions. I kiss'd his Ma^t's hand on his making me one of that new establish'd Coucil.

1 Mar. I caused Mr. Gibbon to bring to White-hall his excellent piece of carvynge, where being come I advertis'd his Majestie, who ask'd me where it was; I told him in S^r. Richard Browne's (my father-in-law) chamber, and that if it pleas'd his Ma^t to appoint whither it should be brought, being large and tho' of wood heavy, I wo^d take care for it; "No," says the King, "shew me y^e way, I'll go to Sir Richard's chamber," which he immediately did, walking along the entries after me, as far as the ewrie, till he came up into the roome where I also lay. No sooner was he enter'd and cast his eye on the work but he was astonish'd at the curiositie of it, and having consider'd it a long time and discours'd with Mr. Gibbon, whom I brought to

* "The Conquest of Granada," by Dryden.

kisse his hand; he commanded it should be immediately carried to the Queenes side to shew her. It was carried up into her bed chamber, where she and the King looked on and admired it againe; the King being call'd away left us with the Queen, believing she would have bought it, it being a crucifix; but when his Ma^y was gone, a French pedling woman, one Mad. de Boord, who us'd to bring peticotes and fanns, and baubles out of France to the Ladys, began to find fault with severall things in the worke, which she understood no more than an asse or a monkey, so as in a kind of indignation, I caused the person who brought it to carry it back to the chamber, finding the Queen so much govern'd by an ignorant French woman, and this incomparable artist had his labour onely for his paines, which not a little displeas'd me, and he was faine to send it downe to his cottage againe; he not long after sold it for £.80. tho' well worth £.100. without the frame, to Sir Geo. Viger.

His Ma^y's Surveyor, Mr. Wren, faithfully promis'd me to employ him*, I having also bespoke his Ma^y for his worke at Windsor, which my friend Mr. May the architect there was going to alter and reparie universally; for on the next day I had a fair opportunity of talking to his Ma^y about it, in y^e lobby next the Queenes side, where I presented him with some sheetes of my Historie. I thence walk'd with him thro' St. James's Parke to the garden, where I both saw and heard a very familiar discourse between and Mrs. Nellie† as they cal'd an impudent comedian, she looking out of her garden on a terrace at the top of the wall; and standing on y^e greene walke under it. I was heartily sorry at this scene. Thence the King walked to the Dut^echess of Cleaveland, another lady of pleasure, and curse of our nation.

5. I dined at Greenewich, to take leave of St. Tho. Lineh, going Governor of Jamaicau.

10. To London about passing my patent as one of the standing Council for Plantations, a considerable honour, the others in y^e Council being cheifly Noblemen, and Officers of State.

* The carving in the Choir, &c. of St. Paul's Cathedral was executed by Gresham.

† Nell Gwyn; there can be no doubt with what name to call up these beauties.

2 April. To Sir Tho. Clifford the Treasurer, to condole with him on the loss of his eldest son, who died at Florence.

2 May. The French King being now with a greate army of 28,000 men about Dunkirk, divers of the grandees of that Court, and a vast number of gentlemen and cadets in fantastical habites came flocking over to see our Court, and compliment his Ma^y. I was present when they first were conducted into the Queenes withdrawing roome, where saluted their Majesties the Dukes of Guise, Longueville, and many others of the first sort.

10. Dine'd at Mr. Treasⁿ, where dined Mons^r De Gramont and severall French noblemen, and one Blood, that impudent bold fellow who had not long before attempted to steale the imperial crowne itselfe out of the Tower, pretending onely curiositie of seing the regalia there, when stabbing the keeper, tho' not mortally, he boldly went away with it thro' all the guards, taken onely by the accident of his horse falling down. How he came to be pardoned, and even received into favour, not onely after this, but severall other exploits almost as daring both in Ireland and here, I could never come to understand. Some believed he became a spie of severall parties, being well with the Sectaries and Enthusiasts, and did his Ma^y services that way, which none alive could do so well as he; but it was certainly as the boldest attempt, so the onely treason of this sort that was ever pardon'd. This man had not onely a daring but a villainous unmercifull looke, a false countenance, but very well spoken and dangerously insinuating.

11. I went to Eltham to sit as one of the Commissioners about y^e subsidy now given by Parliament to his Majesty.

17. Dined at Mr. Treassⁿ [Sir Tho. Clifford] with the Earl of Arlington, Carlingford, Lord Arundel of Wardour, Lo. Almoner to the Queen, a French Count, and two abbots, with several more of French nobility; and now by something I had lately observed of Mr. Treasurer's conversation on occasion, I suspected him a little warping to Rome.

25. I dined at a feast made for me and my wife by the Trinity Company for our passing a fine of the land which S^r R. Browne my wife's father lately gave to found and build their Colledge or Almes-

houses on at Deptford, it being my wife's after her father's deceas. It was a good and charitable worke and gift, but would have ben better bestow'd on y^e poore of that parish, than on the seamen's widows, the Trinity Comp^x being very rich, and the rest of the poore of the parish exceedingly indigent.

26. The Earle of Bristol's house in Queenes Street [Lincoln's Inn Fields], was taken for the Comm^a of Trade and Plantations, and furnish'd with rich hangings of the King's. It consisted of seven roome on a floore, with a long gallery, gardens, &c. This day we met : the Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Lauderdale, Lord Culpeper, S^r Geo. Carteret Vice Chamberlaine, and myselfe, had the oathes given us by the Earle of Sandwich, our President. It was, to advise and counsel his Ma^w to the best of our abilities for the well governing of his Forraine Plantations, &c. the forme very little differing from that given to the Privy Council. We then tooke our places at the Board in the Council Chamber, a very large roome furnished with atlases, mappe, charts, globes, &c. Then came y^e Lord Keeper, S^r Orlando Bridgeman, Earl of Arlington, Secretary of State, Lord Ashley, Mr. Treasurer, Sir John Trevor the other Secretary, Sir John Duncomb, Lord Allington, Mr. Grey, son to y^e Lord Grey, Mr. Henry Broncher, S^r Humsry Winch, S^r John Finch, Mr. Waller, and Coll. Titus of the Bedchamber, with Mr. Slingsby Secretary to the Council, and two Clearks of y^e Council, who had all ben sworne some dayes before. Being all set, our Patent was read, and then the additional Patent, in which was recited this new establishment ; then was delivered to each a copy of the Patent and of instructions : after which we proceeded to business. The first thing we did was to settle the forme of a circular letter to the Governors of all his Ma^w's Plantations and Territories in the West Indies and Islands thereof, to give them notice to whom they should apply themselves on all occasions, and to render us an account of their present state and government ; but what we most insisted on was to know the condition of New England, which appearing to be very independent as to their regard to Old England or his Ma^w, rich and strong as they now were, there were great difficulties in what style to write to them, for the condition of that Colony was such that they

were able to contest with all other Plantations about them, and there was fear of their breaking from all dependance on this Nation ; his Ma^y therefore commended this affaire more expressly. We therefore thought fit in the first place to acquaint ourselves as well as we could of the state of that place, by some whom we heard of that were newly come from thence, and to be informed of their present posture and condition ; some of our Council were for sending them a menacing letter, which those who better understood y^e pcevish and touchy humor of that Colonie, were utterly against.

A letter was then read from S^r Tho. Modiford, Governor of Jamaica ; and then the Councel brake up.

Having brought an action against one Cock for money which he had reciev'd for me, it had been referred to an arbitration by the recommendation of that excellent good man the Chief Justice Hales ; but this not succeeding, I went to advise with that famous lawyer Mr. Jones, of Gray's Inn, and 27 May had a trial before the Lo. Ch. Justice Hales, and after the lawyers had wrangled sufficiently, it was referred to a new arbitration. This was the very first suit at law that ever I had with any creature, and & that it might be the last !

1. June. An installation at Windsor.

6. I went to Councel, where was produc'd a most exact and ample information of the state of Jamaica, and of the best expedients as to New England, on which there was a long debate, but at length 'twas concluded that, if any, it should be only a conciliating paper at first, or civil letter, till we had better information of y^e present face of things, since we understood they were a people almost upon the very brink of renouncing any dependence on y^e Crowne.

19. To a splendid dinner at the greate roome in Deptford Trinity House, S^r Tho. Allen chosen Master, and succeeding the Earle of Craven.

20. To carry Coll. Midleton to White-hall to my Lo. Sandwich, our President, for some information which he was able to give of the state of the Colonie in New England.

21. To Councel againe, when one Coll. Cartwright, a Nottinghamshire man, (formerly in commission with Coll. Nicholls) gave us a con-

siderable relation of that country, on which the Council concluded that in the first place a letter of amnestie should be dispatch'd.

24. Constantine Hugens, Sig^r of Zulichem, that excellent learned man, poet, and musician, now neere 80 yeares of age, a vigorous brisk man, came to take leave of me before his returne into Holland with the Prince, whose Secretary he was.

26. To Council, where Lo. Arlington acquainted us that it was his Ma^r proposal we should every one of us contribute 20l. towards building a Council-chamber and conveniences somewhere in White-hall, that his Ma^r might come and sit amongst us and heare our debates; the mony we laid out to be reimbours'd out of the contingent monies already set apart for us, viz. 1000l. yearly. To this we unanimously consented. There came an uncertaine bruite from Barbados of some disorder there. On my return home I stept in at the Theater to see the new machines for the intended scenes, which were indeede very costly and magnificent.

29. To Council, where were letters from S^r Tho. Modiford, of the expedition and exploit of Coll. Morgan* and others of Jamacia on the Spanish Continent at Panama.

4 July. To Council, where we drew up and agreed to a letter to be sent to New England, and made some proposal to Mr. Gorges for his interest in a Plantation there.

24. To Council. Mr. Surveyor brought us a plot for the building of our Council-chamber, to be erected at the end of the Privy-garden in White-hall.

3 Aug^r. A full appearance at the Council. The matter in debate was, whether we should send a Deputy to New England, requiring them of the Massachusets to restore such to their limits and respective possessions as had petition'd y^e Council; this to be the open Commission onely, but in truth with seacret instructions to informe the Council of the condition of those Colonies, and whether they were of such power as to be able to resist his Ma^r, and declare for themselves as independent of the Crowne, which we were told, and which of late

* See more of him afterwards.

years made them refractorie. Coll. Midleton being call'd in, assur'd us they might be curb'd by a few of his Ma^ts first-rate freguts, to spoile their trade with the islands; but tho' my Lo. President was not satisfied, the rest were, and we did resolve to advise his Ma^ts to send Commis^{rs} with a formal Commission for adjusting boundaries, &c. with some other instructions.

19. To Council. The letters of Sir Tho. Modiford were read, giving relation of the exploit at Panama, which was very brave; they tooke, burne and pillag'd y^e towne of vast treasures, but the best of the booty had ben shipp'd off and lay at anchor in the South Sea, so that after our men had rang'd the country 60 miles about, they went back to Nombre de Dios, and embarq'd for Jamaica. Such an action had not ben done since the famous Drake.

I dined at the Hambrogh Resident's, and after dinner went to the christening of S^r Sam. Tuke's son Charles, at Somerset House, by a Popish priest with many odd ceremonies. The godfathers were the King and Lord Arundel of Wardour, and godmother the Countesse of Huntingdon.

29 Aug. To London with some more papers of my progresse in the Dutch Warr, delivered to y^e Treasurer.

1 Sept. Dined with the Treasurer in Company with my L^d Arlington, Halifax, & Sir Tho. Strickland; and next day went home, being the anniversarie of the late dreadfull fire of London.

13 Sept. This night fell a dreadful tempest.

15. In the afternoone at Council, where letters were read from Sir Ch. Wheeler concerning his resigning his Governm^t of St. Christopher's.

21. I din'd in the Citty at the fraternity feast in Yron-mongers Hall*, where the 4 stewards chose their successors for the next year, with a solemn procession, garlands about their heads and musiq playing before them, so coming up to the upper tables where the gentlemen sate, they drank to the new stewards, and so we parted.

22. I dined at the Treasurer's, where I had discourse with Sir Hen. Jones (now come over to raise a regiment of horse), concerning the

* One of the grand court-days of that opulent Company, which is one of twelve.

French conquests in Lorraine; he told me the King sold all things to the soldiers, even to a handful of hay.

Lord Sunderland was now nominated Ambassador to Spain.

After dinner y^r Treass^r carried me to Lincoln's Inn, to one of the Parliament Clerks, to obtaine of him that I might carry home and peruse some of the Journals, which were accordingly delivered to me to examine about the late Dutch War. Returning home I went on shore to see the Costome House, now newly rebuilt since the dreadfull conflagration *.

9 Oct. I went after evening service to London, in order to a journey of refreshment with Mr. Treasurer to Newmarket, where the King then was, in his coach with 6 brave horses, which we changed thrice, first at Bishops Stortford and last at Chesterford, so as by night we got to New-market, where Mr. Henry Jermain (nephew to the Earle of St. Albans) lodged me very civilly. We went immediately to Court, the King and all y^r English gallants being there at their autumnal sports. Supp'd at the Lo. Chamberlaine's, and the next day after dinner I was on the heath, where I saw the greate match run between Woodcock and Flatfoot, belonging to the King and to Mr. Eliot of y^r Bedchamber, many thousands being spectators; a more signal race had not ben run for many yeares.

This over, I went that night w^t Mr. Treass^r to Euston, a palace of Lord Arlington's, where we found Mons^r Colbert (the French Ambassador), and the famous new French Maid of Honor, M^{lle} Querouaille^f, now coming to be in greate favor with the King. Here was also the Countesse of Sunderland, and severall Lords and Ladies, who lodg'd in the house.

During my stay here with Lord Arlington neare a fortnight, his Ma^y came almost every second day with the Duke, who commonly return'd to New-market, but the King often lay here, during which time I had twice the honor to sit at dinner with him, with all freedom.

* This new edifice was again destroyed by fire in the month of February 1644, and has been re-built in a very magnificent manner by Mr. Henry Peto, who contractor for the work at a price much short of that proposed by any other builder.

^f See p. 432.

It was universally reported that the faire Lady —— was bedded one of these nights; and the stocking flung, after the manner of a married brydes [I acknowledge she was for the most part in her undresse all day, and that there was fondnesse and toying with that young wanton; nay, 'twas said I was at the former ceremony, but 'tis utterly false; I neither saw nor heard of any such thing whilst I was there, tho' I had ben in her chamber, and all over that appartment late enough, and was my selfe observing all passages with curiosity enough. However 'twas with confidence believed she was first made a *Misse*, as they call these unhappy creatures, with solemnity at this time.

On Sunday a young Cambridge Divine preached an excellent sermon in the Chapell, the King and the Duke of York being present.

16. Came all the greate men from New-market, and other parts both of Suffolk and Norfolck, to make their court, the whole house fill'd from one end to the other with lords, ladys and gallants; there was such a furnished table as I had seldome seene, nor any thing more splendid and free; so that for 15 days there were entertained at least 200 people, and halfe as many horses, besides servants and guards, at infinite expence.

In the morning we went hunting and hawking; in the afternoone, till almost morning, to cards and dice, yet I must say without noise, swearing, quarrel, or confusion of any sort. I, who was no gamester, had often discourse with the French Ambassador Celbert, and went sometimes abroad on horseback with the ladys to take the aire, and now and then to hunting; thus idly passing the time, but not without more often recessse to my pretty apartment, where I was quite out of all this hurry, and had leasure when I would, to converse with booke, for there is no man more hospitably easy to be withall than my Lord Arlington, of whose particular friendship and kindness I had ever a more than ordinary share. His house is a very noble pile, consisting of 4 pavillion after the French, beside a body of a large house, and tho' not built altogether, but form'd of additions to an old house (purchas'd by his Lordship of one S^t. T. Rookwood) yet with a vast expence made not onely capable and roomesane, but very magnificent and commodious, as well within as without, nor lesse splendidly furnish'd. The

stayre-case is very elegant; the garden hand-some, the canall beautefull, but the soile drie, barren, and miserably sandy, which fles in drifts as the wind sits. Here my Lord was pleas'd to advise with me about ordering his plantations of firs, elmes, limes, &c. up his parke, and in all other places and avenues. I persuaded him to bring his park so neere as to comprehend his house within it, which he resolv'd upon, it being now neere a mile to it. The water furnishing the fountaines is raised by a pretty engine, or very slight plaine wheels, which likewise serve to grind his corne, from a small cascade of the canall, the invention of Sir Sam. Moreland. In my Lord's house and especially above the stayre-case, in the greate hall and some of the chambers and roomes of state, are paintings in fresco by Sign' Verrio, being the first worke which he did in England.

17. My Lord Hen. Howard coming this night to visit my Lord Chamberlaine, and staying a day, would needes have me go with him to Norwich, promising to convey me back after a day or two; this, as I could not refuse, I was not hard to be persuaded to, having a desire to see that famous scholar and phisitian Dr. T. Browne, author of the "Religio Medici," and "Vulgar Errors," &c. now lately knighted. Thither then went my Lord and I alone in his flying chariot with 6 horses; and by the way, discoursing with me of severall of his concernes, he acquainted me of his going to marry his eldest sonn to one of the King's natural daughters by the Dutchesse of Cleaveland, by which he reckon'd he should come into iauge favour. He also told me that tho' he kept that idle creature Mrs. B——*, and would leave £200 a yere to y^e sonne he had by her, he would never marry her, and that the King himselfe had caution'd him against it. All the world knows how he kept this promise.

Being come to the Ducal Palace, my Lord made very much of me, but I had little rest, so exceeding desirous he was to shew me the contrivance he had made for the entertainment of their Ma^{ts} and the whole Court not long before, and which, tho' much of it was but temporary, apparently fram'd of boards only, were yet standing. As to the Palace,

* Blekerston, see afterwards, under 1670, Jan. and August.

it is an old wretched building, and that part of it newly built of brick is very ill understood, so as I was of opinion it had ben much better to have demolish'd all, and set it up in a better place, than to proceede any farther; for it stands in the very Market-place, and tho' neere a river, yet a very narrow muddy one, and without any extent.

Next morning I went to see Sir Tho. Browne (with whom I had some time corresponded by letter, tho' I had never seen him before). His whole house and garden being a paradise and cabinet of rarities, and that of the best collection, especialey medaills, books, plants, and natural things. Amongst other curiosities Sir Thomas had a collection of y^e eggs of all the foule and birds he could procure, that country (especialy the promontary of Norfolk) being frequented, as he said, by severall kinds w^{ch} seldom or never go farther into the land, as cranes, storkes, eagles, and variety of water-foule. He led me to see all y^e remarkable places of this ancient Citty, being one of the largest, and certaintly, after London, one of the noblest of England, for its venerable Cathedrall, number of stately churches, cleanness of y^e streetes, and buildings of flints so exquisitely headed and squared as I was much astonisli'd at; but he told me they had lost the art of squaring the flints, in which they once so much excell'd, and of w^{ch} the churches, best houses, and walls, are built. The Castle is an antique extent of ground, which now they call Marsfield, and would have ben a fitting area to have plac'd the Ducas palace in. The suburbs are large, the prospects sweete, with other amenities, not omitting the flower gardens, in which all the inhabitants excel. The fabric of stuffs brings a vast trade to this populous towne.

Being return'd to my Lord's, who had ben with me all this morning, he advis'd with me concerning a plot to rebuild his house, having already as he said erected a front next the street, and a left wing, and now resolving to set up another wing and pavilion next y^e garden, and to convert the bowling-greene into stables. My advice was, to desist from all, and to meditate wholly on rebuilding an handsome palace at Arundell House in the Strand, before he proceeded farther here, and then to place this in y^e castle, that ground belonging to his Lordship.

I observed that most of the Church-yards (tho' some of them large enough) were filled up with earth, or rather the congestion of dead bodys one upon another, for want of earth, even to the very top of the walls, and some above the walls, so as the Churches seemed to be built in pits.

18 Oct. I return'd to Euston in my Lord's coach, leaving him at Norwich, in company with a very ingenious gentleman, Mr. White, whose father and mother (daughter to the late Lord Treass^r Weston, Earl of Portland) I knew at Rome, where this gentlemen was borne, and where his parents lived and died with much reputation, during their banishment in our civil broils.

21. Leaving Euston, I lodged this night at New-market, where I found y^e jolly blades racing, dauncing, feasting, and revelling, more resembling a luxurious and abandon'd rout, than a Christian Coort. The Duke of Buckingham was now in mighty favour, and had with him that impudent woman the Countess of Shrewsbury*, with his band of fiddlers, &c.

Next morning, in company with Sir Bernard Gascoyne and Lord Hawly, I came in the Treass^r's coach to Bishop Stortford, where he gave us a noble supper. Next day to London, and so home.

14 Nov. To Council, where Sir Cha. Wheeler, late Gov^r of the Leeward Islands, having ben complain'd of for many indiscreete managements, it was resolv'd, on scanning many of y^e particulars, to advise his Ma^y to remove him, and consult what was to be don to prevent these inconveniences he had brought things to. This businesse staide me in London almost a weeke, being in Councell or Committee every morning till the 25th.

27. We ordered that a Proclamation shoul^d be presented to his Ma^y to signe, against what S^r Cha. Wheeler had done in St. Christopher's, since the war, on the articles of peace at Breda. He was shortly afterwards recalled.

6 Dec. Came to visite me S^r William Haywood, a greate pretender to English antiquities.

* See hereafter under 1679, July.

14. Went to see the Duke of Buckingham's ridiculous farce and rhapsody, called "The Recital*", buffooning all plays, yet prophane enough.

23. The Councillors of the Board of Trade din'd together at y Cock in Suffolke streete.

1672. 12 Jan. His Ma^y renewed us our lease of Ssays Court pastures for 99 yeares, but ought, according to his solemn promise† (as I hope he will still perform), have passed them to us in fee farme.

23. To London, in order to S^r Rich^d Browne, my father in law, resigning his place as Clerke of the Council to Joseph Williamson, Esq. who was admitted, and was knighted. This place his Ma^y had promisd to give me many yeares before; but upon consideration of the renewal of our lease and other reasons, I chose to part with it to S^r Joseph, who gave us and y^e rest of his brother clearks a handsome supper at his house, and after supper a consort of music.

3 Feb. An extraordinary snow: part of the weeke was taken up in consulting about the commission of prisoners of war, and instructions to our officers, in order to a second war with the Hollanders, his Ma^y having made choice of the former Commiss^r and myselfe amongst them.

11. In the afternoone that famous proselyte, Mons^r Brevall, preach'd at the Abby, in English, extreamly well and with much eloquence. He had ben a Capuchine, but much better learned than most of that order.

12. At the Council we enter'd on enquiries about improving the Plantations by silks, galls, flax, senna, &c. and consider'd how nutmegs and cinamon might be obtain'd and brought to Jamaica, that soile and climate promising successe. Dr. Worsley being called in, spake many considerable things to encourage it. We tooke order to send to the Plantations that none of their ships should adventure homeward single, but stay for company and convoys. We also deliberated on some fit person to go as Commiss^r to inspect their actions in New Englan^d, and from time to time report how that people stood affected.—In future to meeet at White-hall.

* This must mean his play of "The Rehearsal."

† The King's engagement under his hand is now at Wotton.

20. Dr. Parr of Camerwell preach'd a most pathetic funebral discourse and panegyric at the interment of our late pastor, Dr. Breton (who died on the 18th), on "Happy is y' servant whom when his Lord cometh, &c." This good man, among other expressions profess'd that he had never ben so touch'd and concern'd at any losse as at this, unlesse at that of K. Charles our Martyr, and Archbishop Usher, whose chaplaine he had ben. Dr. Breton had preach'd on the 28th and 30th Jan.: on the Friday, having fasted all day, making his provisionar sermon for the Sunday following, he went well to bed, but was taken suddenly ill, and expir'd before help could come to him.

Never had a parish a greater losse, not onely as he was an excellent preacher, and fitted for our greate and vulgar auditory, but for his ex-cellent life and charity, his meeknesse and obliging nature, industrious, helpfull, and full of good workes. He left neere £400. to the poore in his will, and that what children of his should die in their minority, their portiou should be so employed. I lost in particular a special friend, and one that had an extraordinary love to me and mine.

25. To London, to speake with the Bishop, and Sir John Cutler our patron, to present Mr. Frampton (afterwards Bishop of Gloucester.)

1 March. A full Council of Plantations, on the danger of the Lee-ward Islands, threaten'd by the French, who had taken some of our ships, and began to interrupt our trade. Also in debate, whether the new Governor of St. Christopher's should be subordinate to the Gov' of Barbados. The debate was serious and long.

12. Now was the firat blow given by us to the Dutch convoy of the Smyrna fleet, by S^r Rob^t Holmes and Lord Ossorie, in which we received little save blows, and a worthy reproch for attacking our neighbours 'ere any war was proclaim'd, and then pretending the occasion to be, that some time before, the Merlin yatch chancing to saile thro' the whole Dutch fleet, their Admiral did not strike to that trifling vessel. Surely this was a quarrel slenderly grounded, and not becoming Christian neighbours. We are like to thrive accordingly. Lord Ossorie several times deplor'd to me his being engag'd in it; he had more justice and honour than in the least to approve of it, tho'

had ben over persuaded to the expedition. There is no doubt but we shd have surpriz'd this exceeding rich fleete, had not the avarice and ambition of Holmes and Sprng separated themselves and wilfully divided our fleete, on presumption that either of them was strong enough to deale with the Dutch convoy without joyning and mutual help; but they so warmly plied our divided fleets, that whilst in conflict the merchants sail'd away, and got safe into Holland.

A few daies before this, the Treasurer of the Household, Sir Tho. Clifford*, hinted to me, as a confidant, that his Ma^y would *shut up the Exchequer* (and accordingly his Ma^y made use of infinite treasure there, to prepare for an intended rupture); but, says he, it will soone be open againe and every body satisfied; for this bold man, who had ben the sole adviser of the King to invade that sacred stock (tho' some pretend it was Lord Ashley's counsel, then Chancellor of the Exch^r), was so over confident of the successse of this unworthy designe against the Smyrna merchants, as to put his Ma^y on an action which not onely lost the hearts of his subjects, and ruined many widdows and

* The following is taken from King James's Life by himself: "On the King's attention to have a Lord Treasurer (1672) instead of putting the Seals into Commission, the Duke of York desired Lord Arlington to join with him in proposing to the King the Lord Clifford for that considerable employment; but he found Lord Arlington very cold in it, and endeavouring to perswade the Duke that the King did not intend the alteration, and the next day he employed a friend to press the Duke to endeavour to get Sir Robert Car to be Commissioner in the room of Lord Shaftesbury (then appointed Lord Chancellor).

"Some few days after, the Duke proposed to his Majesty the Lord Clifford as Treasurer, which was well received, and he said he would do it, as thinking no body fitter; he also told the Duke that Lord Arlington had a mind to have that Staff: but he answered him that he had too much kindeom for him to let him have it, for he knew he was not fit for the office; and should he give it him, it would be his ruin. A little after the King told the Duke that he found Lord Arlington was angry with Lord Clifford, on knowing that he was to have the place; and desired the Duke to persuade Lord Arlington not to let the world see his discontent, and to endeavour to make them continuall friends. They promised the Duke to live friendly together, but Lord Arlington kept not his word, and was ever after cold, if not worse, towards him.

"Christmas coming on, the King spake to Lord Clifford and Lord Arundel of Wardour, to perswade the Duke to receive the Sacraument with him at that time (which the Duke had forborne for several months before). They urged the King not to press it, and he then seemed satisfied; but the day before Christmas Eve, the King spake again to Lord Clifford to represent to the Duke what he had before said, which the Lord Clifford did, but found the Duke was not to be moved in his resolution of not going against his conscience."

orphans whose stocks were lent him; but the reputation of his Exchequer for ever, it being before in such credit, that he might have com-
manded halfe the wealth of the Nation.

The credit of this bank being thus broken did exceedingly discontent the people, and never did his Ma^{ys} affairs prosper to any purpose after it, for as it did not supply the expence of the meditated war, so it mealted away, I know not how.

To this succeeded the King's declaration for an universal tolleration; Papists and swarms of Sectaries now boldly shewing themselves in their publiq meetings. This was imputed to y^e same council, Clifford warping to Rome as was believ'd, nor was Lord Arlington cleare of suspicion, to gratifie that party, but as since it has prov'd, and was then evidently foreseen, to the extreame weakening the Church of England and its Episcopal Government, as 'twas projected. I speake not this as my owne sense, but what was the discourse and thoughts of others who were lookers on; for I think there might be some relaxations without the least prejudice to the present establishment, discreetly limited, but to let go y^e reines in this manner, and then to imagine they could take them up againe as easily, was a false politiq and greatly destructive. The truth is, our Bishops slip'd the occasion, for had they held a steady hand upon his Ma^{ys} restauration, as they might easily have don, the Church of England had emerg'd and flourish'd without interruption; but they were then remisse, and covetous after advantages of another kind, whilst his Ma^{ys} suffer'd them to come into an harvest, with which, without any injustice, he might have remunerated innumerable gallant gentlemen for their seruices, who had ruin'd themselves in y^e late Rebellion*.

21 Mar. I visited the coasts in my district of Kent, and divers wounded and languishing poore men that had ben in the Smyrna conflict. I went over to see the new-begun Fort of Tilbury, a royal work indeede, and such as will one day bridle a greate City to the purpose, before they are aware.

* This means the fines for renewals of leases not filled up during the Interruption, and now to be immediately applied for. Bishop Burnet says they were much unapplied. Hist. of his own Time, I. 304.

23. Capt. Cox, one of the Commiss^{rs} of the Navy, furnishing me with a yatcht, I sail'd to Sheere-nesse to see that Fort also, now newly finished; severall places on both sides the Swale and Medway to Gillingham and Upnore, being also provided with redouts and batteries, to secure the station of our men of war at Chatham, and shut y^e doore when y^e steedes were stolen.

24. I saw the chirurgeon cut off y^e leg of a wounded sailor, the stout and gallant man enduring it with incredible patience, without being bound to his chaire as usual on such painfull occasions. I had hardly courage enough to be present. Not being cut off high enough, the gangeen prevail'd, and the second operation cost the poore creature his life.

Lord! what miseries are mortal men subject to, and what confusion and mischeif do the avarice, anger, and ambition of Princes cause in the world!

25. I proceeded to Canterbury, Dover, Deal, the Isle of Thanet, by Sandwich, and so to Margate. Here we had abundance of miserably wounded men, his Ma^y sending his cheife chirurgeon, Serjeant Knight, to meet me, and Dr. Waldron had attended me all the journey. Having taken order for the accomodation of the wounded, I came brack thro' a country the best cultivated of any that in my life I had any where seene, every field lying as even as a bowling-green, and the fences, plantations, and husbandry in such admirable order as infinitely delighted me after the sad and afflicting spectacles and objects I was come from. Observing almost every tall tree to have a weather-cock on the top bough, and some trees half a dozen, I learn'd that on a certaine holyday the farmers feast their servants, at which solemnity they set up these cocks in a kind of triumph.

Being come back towards Rochester, I went to take order about building a strong and high wall about a house I had hired of a gentleman at a place call'd Hartlip, for a prison, paying 50*l.* yearly rent. Here I settled a Provost Martial and other Officers, returning by Faversham. On the 30th heard a Sermon in Rochester Cathedrall, & so got to Say's Court on the first of April.

4 April, I went to see the fopperies of the Papists at Somersett House and York House, where now the French Ambass^y had caus'd to

be represented our Blessed Saviour at the Paschal Supper with his Disciples, in figures and puppets made as big as the life of wax-work, curiously clad and sitting round a large table, the room nobly hung, and shining with innumerable lamps and candles : this was expos'd to all the world, all the City came to see it : such liberty had the Roman Catholics at this time obtain'd.

16. Sat in Council, preparing Lord Willoughby's commission and instructions as Governor of Barbadoes and the Caribbē Islands.

17. Sat on business in y^e Star Chamber.

19. At Council, preparing instructions for Col. Stapleton, now to go Governor of St. Christopher's; and heard the complaints of the Jamaica merchants against the Spaniards for hindering them from cutting Logwood on the maine land, where they have no pretence.

21. To my Lord of Canterbury, to entreat him to engage Sir John Cutler, the patron, to provide us a grave and learned man, in opposition to a novice.

30. Congratulated Mr. Trease Clifford's new honour, being made a Baron.

2 May. My sonn John was specially admitted of the Middle Temple by Sir Fra. North, his Majesties Solicitor General, and since Chancellor. I pray God bless this beginning, my intention being that he should seriously apply himself to the study of the Law.

10. I was order'd by letter from the Council to repair forthwith to his Ma^y, whom I found in the Pal-Mal in St. James's Park, where his Ma^y coming to me from the company, commanded me to go immediately to the sea coast, and to observe the motion of the Dutch fleet and ours, the Duke and so many of the flower of our Nation being now under saile, coming from Portsmouth thro' y^e Downes, where 'twas believ'd there might be an encounter.

11. Went to Chatham. — 12. Heard a Sermon in Rochester Cathedrall.

13. To Canterbury ; visited Dr. Baygrave*, my old fellow-traveller in Italy, & great virtuoso.

* Dean of Canterbury, a great benefactor to the Cathedral Library, wrote "Notes on the Life of Milton" some curious particulars concerning him.

23. To Dover; but the fleet did not appear till the 16th, when the Duke of York with his and the French squadron, in all 170 ships (of which above 100 were men of war) sail'd by, after y^e Dutch, who were newly withdrawn. Such a gallant and formidable navy never, I think, spread sail upon y^e seas. It was a goodly yet terrible sight, to behold them as I did, passing Eastward by the straits twixt Dover and Calais in a glorious day. The wind was yet so high that I could not wel go aboard, and they were soon got out of sight. The next day having visited our prisoners at the Castle, and saluted the Governor, I tooke horse for Margate. Here, from the North Foreland Light-house-top (which is a Pharos, built of bricq and having on y^e top a cradle of iron in which a man attends a greate sea-coal fire all the year long, when the nights are darke, for the safeguard of sailors) we could see our fleete as they lay at anker. The next morning they weighed, and sailed out of sight to the N. E.

19. Went to Margate; and the following day was carried to see a gallant widow, brought up a farmoreese, and I think of gigantic race, rich, comely, and exceedingly industrious. She put me in mind of Debora and Abigail, her house was so plentifully stored with all manner of countrie provisions, all of her owne growth, and all her conveniences so substantially, neat, and well understood; she herselfe so jolly and hospitable; and her land so trim and rarely husbanded that it struck me with admiration at her economeie.

This towne much consists of Brewers of a certaine heady ale, and they deale much in mault, &c. For the rest, tis raggedly built, and has an ill haven, with a small fort of little concernment, nor is the island well disciplin'd; but as to the husbandry and rural part, far exceeding any part of England, for the accurate culture of their ground, in w^{ch} they exceed, even to curiositie and emulation.

We passed by Richborow, and in sight of Reculver, and so thro' a sweete garden as it were, to Canterbury.

24. To London, and gave his Mat^y an account of my journey, and that I had put all things in readinesse upon all events, and so return'd home sufficiently warred.

31. I receiv'd another command to repaire to the Sea-side; so I went to Rochester, where I found many wounded, sick, and prisoners newly put on shore after the engagement on the 28th, in which the Earle of Sandwich, that incomparable person and my particular friend, and divers more whom I loved, were lost. My Lord (who was Admiral of y^e Blew) was in the Prince, which was burnt, one of the best men of war that ever spread canvass on the sea. There were lost with this brave man, a son of Sir Cha. Cotterell (Master of the Ceremonies), and a son of S^r Cha. Harbord (his Ma^y's Surveyor-general), two valiant and most accomplish'd youths, full of virtue and courage, who might have saved themselves, but chose to perish with my Lord, whom they honour'd and loved above their own lives.

Here I cannot but make some reflections on things past. It was not above a day or two that going to White-hall to take leave of his Lordship, who had his lodgings in the Privy Garden, shaking me by the hand he bid me Good-by'e, and said he thought he should see me no more, and I saw to my thinking something boading in his countenance; "No," says he, "they will not have me live. Had I lost a fleet (meaning on his returne from Bergen when he tooke the East India prize) I should have fared better; but be it as it pleases God — I must do something I know not what to save my reputation." Something to this effect he had hinted to me; thus I tooke my leave. I well remember that the Duke of Albemarle, and my now Lord Clifford, had, I know not why, no greate opinion of his courage, because in former conflicts, being an able and experienc'd seaman (which neither of them were), he always brought off his Ma^y's ships without losse, tho' not without as many markes of true courage as the stoutest of them; and I am a witnessse that in the late war his owne ship was pierc'd like a cullendar. But the businesse was, he was utterly against this war from the beginning, and abhorr'd y^e attaquanting of the Smyrna flotte; he did not favor the heady expedition of Clifford at Bergen, nor was he so furious and confident as was the Duke of Albemarle, who believed he could vanquish the Hollanders with one squadron. My Lord Sandwich was prudent as well as valiant, and allways govern'd his affaires with successe and little losse; he was for deliberation and reason; they

for action and slaughter without either, and for this, whisper'd as if my Lord Sandwich was not so gallant because he was not so rash, and knew how fatal it was to loose a fleete, such as was that under his conduct, and for which these very persons would have censur'd him on the other side. This it was, I am confident, griev'd him and made him enter like a lion, and fight like one too, in the midst of the hottest service, where the stoutest of the rest seeing him engag'd and so many ships upon him, durst not, or would not, come to his succour, as some of them, whom I know, might have done. Thus this gallant person perish'd to gratifie the pride and envy of some I nam'd.

Deplorable was the losse of one of the best accomplish'd persons, not onely of this Nation but of any other. He was learned in sea affaires, in politics, in mathematics, and in musiq; he had been on divers embassies, was of a sweete and obliging temper, sober, chast, very ingenious, a true Nobleman, an ornament to the Court and his Prince, nor has he left any behind him who approch his many virtues.

He had, I confess, serv'd the tyrant Cromwell when a young man, but 'twas without malice, as a souldier of fortune; and he readily submitted, and that with joy, bringing an entire fleete with him from the Sound, at y^r first tidings of his Majestie's Restauration. I verily believe him as faithfull a subject as any that were not his friends. I am yet heartily griev'd at this mighty losse, nor do I call it to my thoughts without emotion.

2 June. Trinity Sonday I pass'd at Rochester; and on the 5th there was buried in the Cathedral Mons^r Rabiniere, reare Admiral of the French squadron, a gallant person, who died of the wounds he received in the fight. This ceremonie lay on me, which I perform'd with all the decency I could, inviting the Mayor and Aldermen to come in their formalities; Sir Jonas Atkins was there with his guards; and the Deane and Prebendaries: one of his countrymen pronouncing a funeral oration at the brink of his grave, which I caus'd to be dug in the Quire. This is more at large describ'd in the Gazette of that day. Col. Reymes, my colleague in Commission, assisting, who was so kind as to accompany me from London, tho' it was not his district, for indeede the stresse of both these warrs lay more on me by far than on any of

my breathren, who had little to do in theirs.—I went to see Upnor Castle, w^{ch} I found pretty well defended, but of no greate moment.

Next day I sailed to the fleete, now riding at the Buoy of the Nore, where I met his Majesty, the Duke, Lord Arlington, and all the greate men, in the Charles, lying miserably shatter'd; but y^e misse of Lord Sandwich redoubl'd the losse to me, and shew'd the folly of hazarding so brave a fleete, and lossing so many good men for no provocation but that y^e Hollanders exceeded us in industrie, and in all things but envy.

At Sheernes I gave his Ma^y and his Royal Highnesse an account of my charge, and return'd to Queenborow; next day dined at Major Dorrel, Governor of Shere-nesse; thence to Rochester, and the following day home.

12. To London to his Ma^y, to solicite for mony for the sick and wounded, w^{ch} he promised me.

19. To London againe, to solicite the same.

21. At a Council of Plantations. Most of this weeke busied with y^e sick and wounded.

3 July. To Lord Sandwich's funeral, which was by water to Westminster in solemn pomp.

31. I entertain'd the Maids of Honour (among whom there was one I infinitely esteemed for her many and extraordinary virtues) at a comedy this afternoone, and so went home*.

1 Aug^r. I was at the marriage of Lord Arlington's onely daughter (a sweete child if ever there was any†) to the Duke of Grafton, the King's natural son by the Dutchesse of Cleaveland. The Abp. of Canterbury officiating, the King and all the grandees being present. I had a favour given me by my Lady, but tooke no greate joy at the thing for many reasons.

18. Sir James Hayes, Secretary to Prince Rupert, dined with me: after dinner I was sent for to Gravesend, to dispose of no fewer than

* Mrs. Blagg, whom he afterwards characterizes as a rare example of plinty and virtue in a creature a wit, beauty, and perfection, in a Rountious court, and depraved age. She was afterwards married to Mr. Godolphin.

† She was then only 8 years old.

800 sick men. That night I got to the Fleet at the Buoy of the Nore, where I spake with the King and y^e Duke; and after dinner next day return'd to Gravesend.

1 Sept. I spent this weeke in soliciting for monies, and in reading to my Lord Clifford my papers relating to the first Holland war.—Now our Council of Plantations met at Lord Shafesbury's (Chanc^r of the Exchequer) to reade and reforme the Draught of our new Patent, joyning the Council of Trade to our political capacities. After this I returned home in order to another excursion to the Sea-side, to get as many as possible of y^e men who were recovered on board y^e Fleet.

8. I lay at Gravesend, thence to Rochester, returning on the 11th.

15. Dr. Duport, Greek Professor of Cambridge, preached before the King on 1 Timothy 6. 6. No greate preacher, but a very worthy and learned man.

25. I din'd at Lord John Berkley's*, newly arriv'd out of Ireland, where he had ben' Deputy; it was in his new house†, or rather palace, for I am assur'd it stood him in neere £30,000. It is very well built, and has many noble roomes, but they are not very convenient, consisting but of one Corps de Logis; they are all roomes of state, without closets. The staire-case is of cedar, the furniture is princely: the kitchen and stables are ill plac'd, and the corridore worse, having no report to the wings they joyne to. For the rest, the fore court is noble, so are the stables, and above all, the gardens, which are incomparable by reason of the inequalitie of the ground, and a pretty piscina. The holly hedges on the terrace I advised the planting of. The porticos are in imitation of an house described by Palladio, but it happens to be the worst in his booke, tho' my good friend Mr. Hugh May, his Lordship's architect, effected it.

26. I carried with me to dinner my Lord H. Howard (now to be made Earl of Norwich and Earl Marshall of England) to S^r Rob^t.

* Lord Berkley of Stratton.

† Berkley House was burnt to the ground by accident. The site was on a farm called Hay-hill Farm, the names of which are preserved in Hay-street, Hill-street, Farm-street. Devonshire House, Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, &c. are built on part of the ground.

Clayton's, now Sheriff of London, at his new house*, where we had a great feast; it is built indeede for a greate Magistrate, at excessive cost. The cedar dining-roome is painted with the historie of the Gyants War, incomparably don by Mr. Streeter, but the figures are too neare the eye.

6 Oct. Dr. Thistlethwait preached at White-hall on 2 Apoc. 5. a young but good preacher. I received the blessed Communion, Dr. Blandford, Bp. of Worcester, and Deane of y^e Chapel, officiating. Dined at my L^d Cliffords with Lord Mulgrave, Sir Gilbert Talbot, and Sir Robert Holmes.

8. I tooke leave of my Lady Sunderland, who was going to Paris to my Lord, now Ambassador there. She made me stay dinner at Leicester House, and afterwards sent for Richardson the famous Fire-eater. He devour'd brimston on glowing coales before us, chewing and swallowing them; he mealted a beere-glaſſe and eate it quite up; then taking a live coale on his tongue, he put on it a raw oyster, the coal was blown on with bellows till it flam'd and sparkl'd in his mouth, and so remain'd till the oyster gaped and was quite boil'd; then he mealted pitch and wax with sulphur, which he drank downe as it flamed; I saw it flaming in his mouth a good while; He also tooke up a thick piece of yron, such as laundresses use to put in their smoothing-boxes, when it was fiery hot, held it betweene his teeth, then in his hand, and threw it about like a stone, but this I observ'd he ear'd not to hold very long; then he stood on a small pot, and bending his body tooke a glowing yron with his mouth from betweene his feete, without touching the pot or ground with his hands; with divers other prodigious feates.

* Situate in the Old Jewry. Sir Robert built it to keep his shrievalty, which he did with great magnificence. It was for some years the residence of Mr. Samuel Sharp, eminent surgeon, and was afterwards occupied (viz. from 1806 to the close of the year 1811) by the London Institution for their library and reading rooms, previous to their temporary removal to King's Arms Yard, Coleman Street. This Literary Institution, established by Charter, is now finally settled in a new and splendid mansion, purposely erected by the proprietors, from a design by Mr. W. Brooks, on the North side of Moorfields (1818).—Streeter's paintings have been hung up in the family seat of the Claytons at Marden, near Godalming, Surrey.

13. After sermon (being summon'd before) I went to my Lord Keeper's Sir Orlando Bridgeman at Essex House, where our new Patent was opened and read, constituting us that were of the Council of Plantations to be now of the Council of Trade also, both united. After the Patent was read, we all tooke our oathes and departed.

24. Met in Council, the Earle of Shaftesbury, now our President, swearing our Secretary and his Clerks, which was Mr. Lock, an excellent learned gentleman and student of Christ Church, Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Frowde. We dispatch'd a letter to Sir Tho. Linch, Gov^r of Jamaica, giving him notice of a design of y^e Dutch on that island.

27. I went to heare that famous preacher Dr. Frampton at St. Giles's, on 39 Psalm 6. This Divine had ben twice at Jerusalem, and was not onely a very pious and holy man, but excellent in the pulpit for the moving affections.

8 Nov. At Council we debated the businesse of the Consulage of Leghorne. I was of the Committee with S^r Humphrey Winch the Chaireman to examine the Lawes of his Ma^{ys} severall Plantations and Colonies in the West Indies, &c.

15. Many Merchants were summon'd about the Consulage of Venice; which caused greate disputes; the most considerable thought it useless. This being the Queen Consort's birth-day, there was an extraordinarie appearance of gallantrie, and a ball daunced at Court.

30. I was chosen Secretary to the Royall Society.

21 Dec. Settl'd y^e Consulage of Venice.

1673, 1 Jan. After publiq prayers in the Chapell at White-hall, when I gave God solemnne thanks for all his mercys to me the yeare past, &c. and my humble supplications to him for his blessing the yeare now entering, I returned home, having my poore deceased servant (Adams) to bury, who died of a pleurisie.

3. My sonn now publish'd his Version of "Rapini Hortoruin."

28. Visited Don Francisco de Melos, the Portugal Ambass^t, who shew'd me his curious Collection of Books and Pictures. He was a person of good parts, and a vertuous man.

* Of Gardens. Four Books. First written in Latin verse, by Renatus Rapinius, and now made English. By I. B. London, 1673. Dedicated to Henry Earle of Arlington, &c. &c. &c.

6 Feb. To Council about reforming an abuse of the Diers with *Saudus* and other false drougs; examin'd divers of that trade.

23. The Bishop of Chichester* preach'd before y^e King on 2 *Celos*.
14, 15. admirably well, as he can do nothing but what is well.

5 Mar. Our new Vicar Mr. Holden preach'd in White-hall Chapel on 4 Psalm 6, 7. This gent^a is a very excellent and universal scholar, a good and wise man, but he had not the popular way of preaching, nor is in any measure fit for our plaine and vulgar auditorie, as his predecessor was. There was, however, no comparison betwixt their parts for profound learning; but time and experience may forme him to a more practical way than that he is in of University lectures and erudition, which is now universally left off for what is much more profitable.

15. I heard the speech made to the Lords in their House by Sir Sam. Tuke in behalfe of the Papists, to take off the Penal Laws; and then dined with Col. Norwood.

16. Dr. Pearson, Bishop of Chester†, preach'd on 9th *Hebrews* 14; a most incomparable sermon from one of the most learned Divines of our Nation. I din'd at my Lord Arlington's with the Duke and Dutchesse of Monmouth; she is one of the wisest and craftiest of her sex, and has much witt. Here was also y^e learned Isaac Vossius.

During Lent there is constantly the most excellent preaching by the most eminent Bishops and Divines of the Nation.

26 Mar. I was sworn a younger brother of the Trinity House, with my most worthy and long acquainted noble friend Lord Ossorie (eldest son to the Duke of Ormond), Sir. Rich^d. Browne my father-in-law being now Master of that Society; after which there was a greate collation.

29. I carried my sonn to the Bishop of Chichester, that learned and pious man, Dr. Peter Gunning*, to be instructed by him before he receiv'd the holy sacrament, when he gave him most excellent advice,

* Dr. Peter Gunning, formerly Master of St. John's College, Cambridge, afterwards Bishop of Ely. Burnet says of him that he was a man of great reading, a very honest sincere man, but of no sound judgment. Hist. of his own Times, I. 297.

† Well known by his valuable Exposition of the Creed.

which I pray God may influence and remain with him as long as he lives; and O that I had ben so blessed and instructed when first I was admitted to that sacred ordinance!

30. Easter Day: myself and sonn receiv'd the blessed communion, it being his first time, and with that whole week's more extraordinary preparation. I beseech God make him a sincere good Christian, whilst I endeavour to instill into him y^e feare and love of God, and discharge the duty of a father.

At the sermon *coram Rege*, preached by Dr. Sparrow, Bp. of Exeter, to a most crowded auditorie; I staied to see whether according to costome the Duke of York receiv'd the communion with the King: but he did not, to the amazement of every body. This being the second yeare he had forborn and put it off, and within a day of the Parliament sitting, who had lately made so severe an Act against y^e increase of Poperie, gave exceeding grieve and scandal to the whole Nation, that the heyre of it, and y^e sonn of a Martyr for y^e Protestant religion, should apostatize. What the consequence of this will be, God onely knows, and wise men dread.

11 April. I dined with the Plenipotentiaries designed for the Treaty of Nimeguen.

17. I carried Lady Tuke to thank the Countesse of Arlington for speaking to his Ma^ty in her behalfe, for being one of y^e Queene Consort's women. She carried us up into her new dressing-roome at Goring House, where was a bed, 2 glasses, silver jars and vases, cabinets, and other so rich furniture as I had seldom seene; to this excesse of superfluity were we now ariv'd, and that not onely at Court, but almost universally, even to wantonesse and profusion.

Dr. Compton, brother to the Earle of Northampton, preached on 1 Corinth: 11—16. shewing the Churches power in ordaining things indifferent; this worthy person's talent is not preaching, but he is like to make a grave and serious good man *.

* Henry St John, of the second Earl of Northampton, educated at Oxford, was a cornet in Lord Collyer's regiment of guards, took orders, and was successively Bishop of Oxford and London, in which last See he died, 1713, aged 81.

I saw her Ma^vs rich toylet in her dressing roome, being all of massive gold, presented to her by the King, valued at 4000*l.*

26. Dr. Lamplugh preached at St. Martine's, the holy Sacrament following which I partook of, upon obligation of the late Act of Parliament, enjoyning every body in office, civil or militarie, under penalty of 500*l.* to receive it within one moneth before two authentiq; witnesses; being engrossed on parchment, to be afterwards produced in the Court of Chancery, or some other Court of Record; which I did at the Chancery Barr, as being one of the Council of Plantations and Trade; taking then also the Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy, signing the clause in the said Act against Transubstantiation.

25 May. My sonn was made a younger Brother of the Trinity House. The new Master was S^r Jer. Smith, one of the Commiss^rs of the Navy, a stout seaman who had interpos'd and saved the Duke from perishing by a fire-ship in the late warr.

28. I carried one Withers, an ingenious shipwright, to the K^rg, to shew him some new method of building.

29. I saw the Italian Comedie at the Court this afternoone.

10 June. Came to visite and dine wth me, my Lord Vis^r Cornbury and his Lady; Lady Frances Hyde, sister to the Dutchesse of York; and Mrs. Dorothy Howard, Mayd of Honour. We went after dinner to see the formal and formidable camp on Blackheath, raised to invade Holland, or, as others suspected, for another designe. Thence to the Italian Glass-house at Greenwich, where glasse was blown of finer mettal than that of Murano at Venice.

13. Came to visit us, with other ladies of rank, Mrs. Sedley*, daughter to Sir Charles, who was none of the most virtuous, but a witt.

19. Congratulated the new Lord Treass^r, S^r Tho. Osborne, a gentleman with whom I had ben intimately acquainted at Paris, and who was every day at my father-in-law's house and table there, on which account I was too confident of succeeding in his favour, as I had don in his predecessor's; but such a friend shall I never find, and I neglected my time, far from believing that my Lord Clifford would have

* The Duke of York's mistress, and afterwards created by him Countess of Dorchester.

so rashly laid down his stafie as he did, to the amazement of all the world, when it came to the test of his receiving the communion, which I am confident he forbore more from some promise he had enter'd into to gratifie the Duke, than for any prejudice to the Protestant religion, tho' I found him wavering a pretty while.

23. To London, to accompanie our Council, who went in a body to congratulate the new Lord Treasurer, no friend to it, because promoted by my L. Arlington, whom he hated.

26. Came visitors from Court to dine with me, and see the army still remaining encamped on Black-heath.

6 July. This evening I went to the funerall of my deare and excellent friend, that good man and accomplish'd gentleman, S^r Rob^t. Murray*, Secretary of Scotland. He was buried by order of his Ma^y in Westminster Abbey.

25. I went to Tunbridge Wells to visite my Lord Clifford, late Lord Treass^r, who was there to divert his mind more than his body, it was believ'd that he had so engag'd himselfe to the Duke, that rather than take the test, without w^{ch} he was not capable of holding any office, he would resigne that greate and honourable station. This I am confident griev'd him to y^e heart, and at last broke it; for tho' he carried with him musiq and people to divert him, and when I came to see him, lodged me in his own apartment, and would not let me go from him, I found he was struggling in his mind, and being of a rough and ambitious nature, he could not long brooke the necessitie he had brought on himselfe, of submission to this conjuncture. Besides he saw the Dutch warr, which was made much by his advise, as well as the shutting up of the Exchequer †, very unprosperous. These things his high spirit could not support. Having staied here 2 or 3 daies, I obtain'd leave of my Lord to returne.

* He was universally beloved and esteemed by men of all sides and sorts. The life and soul of the Royal Society. He delighted in every occasion of doing good. He had a superiority of genius and comprehension. Burnet, vol. I. p. 90.

† Burnet says the Earl of Shaftesbury was the chief man in this advice. There is a story, though I do not recollect the author, that Shaftesbury formed the plan, that Clifford got at it over a bottle of wine, and carried it to the King as his own.

In my way I saw my Lord of Dorset's house at Knowle, near Seven-oaks, a grete old-fashion'd house.

30. To Council, where the business of transporting wool was brought before us.

31. I went to see the pictures of all the Judges and eminent men of the long robe, newly painted by Mr. Wright, and set up in Guild-hall, costing the City 1000l. Most of them are very like the persons they represent, tho' I never took Wright to be any considerable artist.

13 Aug. I rid to Durdans, where I din'd at my Lord Berkley's of Berkeley Castle, my old and noble friend, it being his wedding anniversarie, where I found the Dutchesse of Albemarle and much companie, and return'd home that evening late.

15. Came to visit me my Lord Chancellor, the Earle of Shaftesbury.

18. My Lord Clifford being about this time return'd from Tunbridge, and preparing for Devonshire, I went to take my leave of him at Wallingford House; he was packing up pictures, most of which were of hunting wild beasts, and vast pieces of bull-baiting, beare-baiting, &c. I found him in his study, and restored to him several papers of state and others of importance, which he had furnished me with, on engaging me to write the Historie of the Holland War, with other private letters of his acknowledgments to my Lord Arlington, who from a private gentleman of a very noble family, but inconsiderable fortune, had advanc'd him from almost nothing. The first thing was his being in Parliament, then knighted, then made one of the Commissioners of the sick and wounded, on which occasion we sate long together; then on the death of Hugh Pollard, he was made Comptroller of the Household and Privy Counselor, yet still my brother Commiss^r; after the death of Lord Fitz-Harding, Treasurer of the Household, he by letters to Lord Arlington, which that Lord shew'd me, begg'd of his Lordship to obtaine it for him as the very height of his ambition; these were written with such submissions and protestations of his patronage, as I had never seen any more acknowledging. The Earle of Southampton then dying, he was made one of the Commissioners of the Treasury. His Majestie inclining to put it into one hand, my Lord Clifford, under pretence of making all his interest for his

patron my Lt. Arlington; cutt the grasse under his feet, and procur'd it for himself, assuring the King that Lord Arlington did not desire it. Indeede my Lord Arlington protested to me that his confidence in Lord Clifford made him so remisse, and his affection to him was so particular, that he was absolutely minded to devolve it on Lord Clifford, all the world knowing how he himselfe affected ease and quiet, now growing into yeares, yet little thinking of this go-by. This was the onely greate ingratitude Lord Clifford shew'd, keeping my Lord Arlington in ignorance, continually assuring him he was pursuing his interest, which was the Duke's, into whose greate favour Lord Clifford was now gotten, but w^{ch} certainly cost him the losse of all, namely, his going so irrevocably far in his interest. For the rest, my Lord Clifford was a valiant uncorrupt gentleman, ambitious, not covetous; generous, passionate, a most constant sincere friend, to me in particular, so as when he layd downe his office, I was at the end of all my hopes and endeavours; these were not for high matters, but to obtain what his Ma^v was really indebted to my father-in-law, which was the utmost of my ambition, and which I had undoubtedly obtain'd if this friend had stood. Sir Tho. Osborn, who succeeded him, tho' much more oblig'd to my father-in-law and his family, and my long and old acquaintance, being of a more haughty and far lesse obliging nature, I could hope for little; a man of excellent natural parts, but nothing of generous or grateful.

Taking leave of my Lord Clifford, he wrung me by the hand, and looking earnestly on me, bid me God-b'ye, adding, "Mr. E. I shall never see thee morn;" "No!" said I, "my Lord, what's the meaning of this? I hope I shall see you often, and as greate a person againe." "No, Mr. E. do not expect it, I will never see this place, this City or Court againe," or words of this sound. In this manner, not without almost mutual tears, I parted from him: nor was it long after, but the newes was, that he was dead, and I have heard from some who I believe knew, he made himself away, after an extraordinary melancholy. This is not confidently affirm'd, but a servant who lived in the house, and afterwards with Sir Rob^t Clayton, Lord Mayor, did, as well as others, report it; and when I hinted some such thing to Mr.

Prideaux, one of his trustees, he was not willing to enter into that discourse. It was reported with these particulars; that causing his servant to leave him unusually one morning, locking himself in, he strangled himself with his cravatt upon the bed-tester; his servant not liking the manner of dismissing him, and looking thro' the key-hole (as I remember), and seeing his master hanging, brake in before he was quite dead, and taking him downe, vomiting a greate deale of bloud, he was heard to utter these words, "Well, let men say what they will, there is a God, a just God above," after which he spake no more. This, if true, is dismal. Really he was the cheife occasion of the Dutch warr, and of all that bloud ^{w^{ch}} was lost at Bergen in attaing the Smyrna fleet, and that whole quarrell. This leads me to call to mind what my Lord Chancellor Shaftesbury affirm'd, not to me onely, but to all my brethren the Councel of forraigne plantations; when not long after this accident being mention'd as we were one day sitting in Councel, his Lordship told us this remarkeable passage; that being one day discoursing with him when he was only Sir Tho. Clifford, speaking of men's advancement to greate charges in the Nation, "Well," says he, "my Lord, I shall be one of the greatest men in England. Don't impute what I say either to fancy or vanity; I am certaine that I shall be a mighty man, but it will not last long; I shall not hold it, but dye a bloody death." "What," says my Lord, "your horoscope tells you so?" "No matter for that, it will be as I tell you." "Well," says my Lord Chancellor Shaftesbury, "if I were of that opinion, I either would not be a great man, but decline preferment, or prevent my danger." This my Lord affirmed in my hearing before severall gentlemen and noblemen sitting in Councel at White-hall. And I the rather am confident of it, remembering what Sir Edw. Walker (Garter King at Armes) had likewise affirm'd to me a long time before, even when he was first made a Lord; that carrying his pedigree to Lord Clifford on his being created a Peer, and finding him busy, he bid him go into his study and divert himself there till he was at leisure to discourse with him about some things relating to his family; there lay, said Sir Edward, on his table, his horoscope and nativity calculated, with some writing under it; whence she read that he

should be advanc'd to the highest degree in the State that could be conferr'd upon him; but that he should not long enjoy it, but should die, or expressions to that sense: and I think (but cannot confidently say) a bloody death. This Sir Edw^d affirm'd both to me and Sir Rich. Browne, nor could I forbear to note this extraordinary passage in these memoires.

14 Sept. Dr. Creighton, son to the late eloquent Bishop of Bath and Wells, preached to the Household on 57 Isaiah 8.

15. I procured 4000L. of the Lords of the Treasury, and rectified divers matters about the sick and wounded.

16. To Council, about choosing a new Secretary.

17. I went with some friends to visit Mr. Bernard Grenville at Ab-Court in Surrey; an old house in a pretty park*.

23. I went to see Paradise, a roome in Hatton Garden, furnished with the representations of all sorts of animals handsomely painted on boards or cloth, and so cut out and made to stand, move, fly, crawl, roar, and make their severall cries. The man who shewed it made us laugh heartily at his formal poetrerie.

15 Oct. To Council, and swore in Mr. Locke, secretary, Dr. Worsley being dead.

27. To Council, about sending succours to recover New York: and then we read the Commission and Instructions to Sir Jonathan Atkins, the new Governor of Barbados.

5 Nov. This night the youths of the Citty burnt the Pope in effigie, after they had made procession with it in greate triumph, they being displeas'd at the Duke for altering his religion and marrying an Italian lady.

On St. Andrew's Day I first saw the new Dutchesse of York, and the Dutchesse of Modena her mother.

1 Dec. To Gresham College, whither the Citty had invited the Royal Society by many of their cheife Aldermen and Magistrates, who gave us a collation, to welcome us to our first place of assembly, from

* At Walton on Thames.

† Mrs. Frances Mary Beatrice D'Este, daughter of the Duke of Modena.

whence we had ben driven to give place to the City, on their making it their Exchange; on the dreadfull conflagration, till their new Exchange was finish'd, w^{ch} it now was. The Society having diⁿ now ben entertain'd and met at Arundel House.

2. I dined with some friends, and visited the sick: thence to an almes-house where was prayers and relieve, some very ill and miserable. It was one of the best daies I ever spent in my life.

3. There was at dinner my Lord Lockart, design'd Ambassador for France, a gallant and a soher person.

9. I saw againe the Italian Dutchesse and her brother the Prince Reynaldo.

20. I had some discourse with certaine strangers, not unlearned, who had ben born not far from Old Nineveh; they assur'd me of the ruines being still extant, and vast and wonderfull were the buildings, vaults, pillars, and magnificent fragments; but they could say little of the Toures of Babel that satisfied me: but the description of the amoenitie and fragrancy of the country for health and cherefullnesse delighted me, so sensibly they spake of the excellent aire and climate in respect of our cloudy and splenetic country.

24. Visited some prisoners at Ludgate, taking orders about the releasing of some.

30. I gave Almighty God thanks for his infinit goodnesse to me the yeare past, and begged his mercie and protection the yeare following: afterwards invited my neigboors to spend the day with me.

1674, 5 Jan. I saw an Italian Opera in musiq, the first that had ben in England of this kind.

9. Sent for by his Ma^r to write something against the Hollanders about the duty of the Flag and Fisherrie: Return'd with some papers.

25 March. I dined at Knightsbridge with the Bishop of Salisbury, Chester, and Lincoln, my old friends.

29 May. His Majestie's birth-day and Restoration. Mr. Denmth, Roger L'Estrange, and severall of my friends, came to dins with me on the happy occassio.

27 June. Mr. Dryden, the famous Poet and now Lawyer, came to give me a visite. It was the anniversary of my mariage, and the first

day I went into my new little cell and cabinet, w^{ch} I built below to-wards the South court at the East end of the parlor.

9 July. Paid £360 for purchase of Dr. Jacomb's son's share in the mill and land at Deptford, which I bought of the Beechers.

22. I went to Windsor with my wife and sonn to see my daughter Mary, who was there with my Lady Tuke, and to do my duty to his Maj. Next day to a greate entertainment at S^r Rob^t Holmes's at Cranburn Lodge in the Forest; there were his Maj^s, the Queene, Duke, Dutchesse, and all the Court. I return'd in the evening with S^r Joseph Williamson, now declar'd Secretary of State. He was sonn of a poore clergyman somewhere in Cumberland, brought up at Queen's Coll. Oxford, of which he came to be a fellow; then travell'd with and returning when the King was restor'd, was receiv'd as a Clerk under Mr. Secretary Nicholas; S^r Henry Bennett (now Lord Arlington) succeeding, Williamson is transferr'd to him, who loving his ease more than businesse (tho' sufficiently able had he applied himselfe to it) remittid all to his man Williamson, and in a short time let him so into the seacret of affaires, that (as his Lordship himselfe told me) there was a kind of necessity to advance him; and so by his subtlety, dexterity, and insinuation, he got now to be principal Secretary; absolutely Lord Arlington's creature, and ungratefull enough. It has ben the fate of this obliging favorite to advance those who soone forgot their original. Sir Joseph was a musitian, could play at *Jeu de Goblets*, exceeding formal, a severe master to his servants, but so inward with my Lord Obrien, that after a few moneths of that gentleman's death, he married his widow*, who, being sister and heire of the Duke of Richmond, brought him a noble fortune. 'Twas thought they liv'd not so kindly after marriage as they did before. She was much charg'd for marrying so meanly, being herselfe allied to the Royal family.

* Lady Catherine Stuart, sister and heir to Charles Stuart, Duke of Richmond and Lenox, the husband of whose adored beauty Mrs. Frances Stuart, with whom Charles the Second was so deeply in love, that he never forgave the Duke for marrying her, which, it is thought, he had formed some intention of doing himself. He took the first opportunity of sending him into an honourable exile, as Ambassador to Denmark, where he shortly after died, leaving no issue by the Duchess.

6 Aug. I went to Groombridge to see my old friend Mr. Packer, the house built within a moate; in a woody valley. The old house had been the place of confinement of the Duke of Orleans, taken by one Waller (whose house it then was) at the Battle of Agincourt, now demolish'd, and a new one built in its place, tho' a far better situation had been on the South of the wood, on a graceful ascent. At some small distance is a large chapell, not long since built by Mr. Packer's father, on a vow he made to do it on the return of King Charles I. out of Spaine, 1625, and dedicated to St. Charles, but what saint there was then of that name I am to seeke, for, being a Protestant, I conceive it was not Borromeo.

I went to see my farme at Ripe neare Lewes.

19. His Ma^w told me how exceedingly the Dutoh were displeas'd at my treatise of the "Historie of Commerce"; that the Holland Ambass^s had complain'd to him of what I had touch'd of the Flags and Fishery, &c. and desired the booke might be call'd in; whilst on the other side he assur'd me he was exceedingly pleas'd with what I had done, and gave me many thanks. However, it being just upon conclusion of the treaty of Breda (indeed it was design'd to have ben publish'd some moneths before, and when we were at defiance), his Ma^w told ~~me~~ he must recall it formally, but gave order that what copies should be publiclyl seized to pacifie the Ambass^s, should immediately be restor'd to the Printer, and that neither he nor the vendor should be molested. The truth is, that which touch'd the Hollander was much less than what the King himselfe furnish'd me with, and oblig'd me to publish, having caus'd it to be read to him before it went to the presse; but the error was, it should have ben publish'd before the peace was proclaim'd. The noise of this book's suppression made it presently be bought up, and turn'd much to the stationer's advantage. It was no other than the Preface prepar'd to be prefix'd to my History of the whole Warre, which I now pursued no further.

* Entitl'd, "Navigation and Commerce, their Original, and Progress, &c. By J. Evelyn Esq. S. R. S." 8vo, 1673. Dedicated to the King. This was, in fact, with the introduction to the intended "History of the Dutch War."

21. In one of the meadows at the foote of the long Terrace below the Castle [Windsor], works were thrown up to shew the King a representation of the City of Maestricht, newly taken by the French. Bastions, bulwarks, ramparts, palissadoes, graffs, hornworks, counterscarps, &c. were constructed. It was attack'd by y^e Duke of Montmorency (newly come from that real siege) and y^e Duke of York, with a little army, to shew their skill in tactics. On Saturday night they made their approaches, open'd trenches, rais'd batteries, tooke the counterscarp and ravelin after a stout defence; greate gunns fir'd on both sides, granados shot, mines sprung, parties sent out, attempts of raising the siege, prisoners taken, parleys, and in short all the circumstances of a formal siege to appearance, and, what is most strange, all without disorder or ill accident, to the greate satisfaction of a thousand spectators. Being night, it made a formidable shew. The siege being over, I went with Mr. Pepys back to London, where we arriv'd about 3 in the morning.

15 Sept. To Council, about fetching away the English left at Surinam, &c. since our reconciliation with Holland.

21. I went to see the greate losse that Lord Arlington had sustain'd by fire at Goring House, this night consum'd to y^e ground, with exceeding losse of hangings, plate, rare pictures, and cabinets; hardly any thing was sav'd of the best and most princely furniture that any subject had in England. My lord and lady were both absent at the Bath.

6 Oct. The Lord Chief Baron Turner, and Serjeant Wild, Recorder of London, came to visite me.

20. At Lord Berkeley's I discours'd with Sir Thomas Modiford, late Gov^r of Jamaica, and with Col. Morgan, who undertooke that gallant exploit from Nombre de Dios to Panama, on the Continent of America: he told me 10,000 men would easily conquer all the Spanish Indies, they were so secure. They tooke greate booty, and much greater had ben taken, had they not ben betrayed and so discover'd before their approach, by w^{ch} the Spaniards had time to carry their vast treasure on board ships that put off to sea in sight of our men, who had no boats to follow. They set fire to Panama, and ravaged the country

60 miles about. The Spaniards were so supine and unexercis'd, that they were afraid to fire a greate gun.

31. My birth-day, 54th yeare of my life. Blessed be God. It was also preparation-day for the holy Sacrament, in which I participated the next day, imploring God's protection for the yeare following, and confirming my resolutions of a more holy life, even upon the Holy Booke. The Lord assist and be gracions unto me. Amen.

15 Nov. The Anniversarie of my baptisme: I first heard that famous and excellent preacher Dr. Burnet (author of the History of y^e Reformation) on 3 Coloss. 10, with such a flow of eloquence and fullness of matter, as shew'd him to be a person of extraordinary parts.

The night being her Majesty's birth-day, the Court was exceeding splendid in clothes and jewells, to the height of excesse.

17. To Council, on the business of Surinam, where the Dutch had detain'd some English in prison ever since the first war 1665.

19. I heard that stupendous violin, Sig^r Nicholao (with other rare musicians), whom I never heard mortal man exceed on that instrument. He had a stroak so sweete, and made it speake like y^e voice of a man, and, when he pleas'd, like a consort of severall instruments. He did wonders upon a note, and was an excellent composer. Here was also that rare lutenist D^r Wallgrave; but nothing approach'd the violin in Nicholao's hand. He plaied such ravishing things as astonish'd us all.

2 Dec. At Mr. Slingsby's, Master of the Mint, my worthy friend, a greate lover of musiq. Heard Sig^r Francisco on the harpsichord, esteem'd one of the most excellent masters in Europe on that instrument; then came Nicholao with his violin, and struck all mute but Mrs. Knight, who sung incomparably, and doubtlesse has the greatest reach of any English woman: she had lately ben roaming in Italy, and was much improv'd in that quality.

15. Saw a comedie* at night at Court, acted by the ladies onely, amongst them Lady Mary and Ann, his Royal Highnesses two daugh-

* This was the Masque of "Calisto, or the Chase." Manner of the Duke of Monmouth. The performers in the piece were, the two daughters of the Duke of York, Lady Anne (Monmouth's mistress to the Duke of Monmouth), Countess of Huntingdon, Lady Mary, Queen, Mrs. Batten (who had been Maid of Honour to the Queen), and Mrs. Jennings, their maid of honour.

ters, and my dear friend Mrs. Blagg, who having the principal part, perform'd it to admiration. They were all cover'd with jewells.

22. Was at the repetition of the Pastoral, on which occasion Mrs. Blagg had about her neere £20,000 worth of jewells, of which she lost one worth about £80, borrow'd of ye Countess of Suffolk. The press was so greate, that 'tis a wonder she lost no more. The Duke made it good.

1675. 20 Jan. Went to see Mr. Streeter, that excellent painter of perspective and landskip, to comfort and encourage him to be cut for the stone, with which that honest man was exceedingly afflicted*.

22 Mar. Supp'd at S^r William Petty's with the Bp. of Salisbury and divers honorable persons. We had a noble entertainment in a house gloriously furnish'd; the master and mistress of it were extraordinary persons. S^r W^m was the sonn of a meane man some where in Sussex, and sent from schole to Oxon, where he studied Philosophy, but was most eminent in Mathematics and Mechanies: proceeded D^r of Physick, and was grown famous, as for his learning so for his recovering a poor wench that had ben hanged for felony; and her body having ben begged (as the costome is) for the anatomic lecture, he bled her, put her to bed to a warm woman, and with spirits and other meanes restor'd her to life†. The young scholars joyn'd and made her a little portion, and married her to a man who had severall children by her, she living 15 years after, as I have ben assur'd. S^r W^m came

of York, and who was afterwards the celebrated Duchess of Marlborough. The Duke of Monmouth, Lord Dumbaine, Lord Daincourt, and others, were the dancers; and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Butler, and others, likewise acted and sung in the performance. Printed, London 1675, in 4to.

* The King, it is said, who had a great regard for this artist, sent for a famous surgeon from Paris, on purpose to perform the operation.

† For a full account of this very remarkable event, see a pamphlet, entitled, "Newes from the Dead, or a true and exact Narration of the miraculous Deliverance of Anne Green, who being executed at Oxford Dec. 14, 1650, afterwards revived; and by the care of certain Physicians there is now perfectly recovered. Oxford, the second Impression, with Additions, 4to, 1651." Added to the Narrative are several Copies of Verses in Latin, English, and French, by Gentlemen of the University, commemorative of the story; amongst others, one by Joseph Williamson, afterwards Secretary of State, another by Christopher Wren, the famous architect, then of Wadham College, Waller, Lovelace, Dr. Ralph Bathurst (the last under other names), and many more. This was reprinted, but very negligently, from the first and worst edition, in Morgan's "Phœnix Britannicus," 4to.

from Oxon to be tutor to a neighbour of mine; thence, when the rebels were dividing their conquests in Ireland, he was employ'd by them to measure and set out the land, which he did on an easy contract, so much per acre. This he effected so exactly, that it not only furnished him with a grete sum of mony, but enabled him to purchase an estate worth £ 4000 a year. He afterwards married the daughter of Sir Hardresse Waller; she was an extraordinary witt as well as beauty, and a prudent woman.

S^r William, amongst other inventions, was author of the double-bottom'd ship*, wh^{ch} tho' it perish'd, and he was censur'd for rashnesse, being lost in the Bay of Biscay in a storme when, I think, 15 other vessells miscarried. This vessell was flat-bottom'd, of exceeding use to put into shallow ports, and ride over small depths of water. It consisted of 2 distinct keeles cramp't together with huge timbers, &c. so as that a violent stremme ran betweeue; it bare a monstrous broad saile, and he still persists that it is practicable and of exceeding use; and he has often told me he wold adyventure himselfe in such another, could he procure sailors, and his Ma^y permission to make a second Experiment, which name the King gave it at the launching.

The Map of Ireland made by Sir William Petty is believ'd to be the most exact that ever yet was made of any country. He did promise to publish it; and I am told it has cost him neare £ 1000 to have it engrav'd at Amsterdam. There is not a better Latine poet living when he gives himselfe that diversion; nor is his excellency lesse in Council and prudent matters of state; but he is so exceeding nice in sifting and examining all possible contingencies, that he adventures at nothing which is not demonstration. There were not in y^e whole world his equal for a superintendant of manufacture and improvement of trade, or to govern a Plantation. If I were a Prince, I should make him my second Counsellor at least. There is nothing difficult to him. He is besides courageous, on which account I cannot but note a true stome of him, that when S^r Aleyd Brodbeck sent him a challenge upon a difference 'twixt them in Ireland, S^r Williams, that exceedingly purblind, accepted the challenge, and it being no part of his bound the weapon,

* See pp. 302, 370.

desir'd his antagonist to meeet him with a hatchet or axe in a dark cellar, which the other of course refused. Sir William was, with all this, facetious and of easy conversation, friendly and courteous, and had such a faculty of imitating others, that he would take a text and preach, now like a grave orthodox divine, then falling into the Presbyterian way, then to the phanatical, the quaker, the monk and frier, the Popish priest, with such admirable action, and alteration of voice and tone, as it was not possible to abstain from wonder, and one would swear to hear severall persons, or forhear to think he was not in good earnest an enthusiast and almost beside himself ; then he would fall out of it into a serious discourse ; but it was very rarely he would be prevail'd on to oblige the company with this faculty, and that only amongst most intimate friends. My Lord Duke of Ormond once obtain'd it of him, and was almost ravish'd with admiration ; but by and by he fell upon a serious reprimand of the faults and miscarriages of some Princes and Governours, which tho' he nam'd none, did so sensibly touch the Duke, who was then Lieutenant of Ireland, that he began to be very uneasy, and wish'd the spirit lay'd which he had rais'd, for he was neither able to endure such truthes, nor could he but be delighted. At last he mealted his discourse to a ridiculous subject, and came down from the joyst stoole on which he had stood : but my lord would not have him preach any more. He never could get favour at Court, because he outwitted all the projectors that came neere him. Having never known such another genius, I cannot but mention these particulars amongst a multitude of others which I could produce. When I who knew him in mean circumstances have ben in his splendid palace, he would himselfe be in admiration how he ariv'd at it ; nor was it his value or inclination for splendid furniture and the curiosities of the age, but his elegant lady could endure nothing meane, or that was not magnificent. He was very negligent himselfe, and rather so of his person, and of a philosophic temper. "What a to-do is here !" would he say, "I can lie in straw with as much satisfaction."

He is author of the ingenious deductions from the bills of mortality, which go under the name of Mr. Graunt ; also of that useful discourse of the manufacture of wool, and several others in the register of the

Royal Society. He was also author of that paraphrase on the 104th Psalm in Latin verse, which goes about in MS. and is immitigable. In a word, there is nothing impenetrable to him.

26 March. Dr. Brideoake was elected Bishop of Chichester on the translation of Dr. Gunning to Ely.

30. Dr. Allestree preached on 6. Romane 3. the necessitie of those who are baptis'd to die to sin; a very excellent discourse from an excellent preacher.

25 April. Dr. Barrow *, that excellent, pious, and most learned man, divine, mathematician, poet, traveller, and most humble person, preach'd at White-hall to y^e household, on 20. Luke 27, of love and charitie to our neighbours.

29. I read my first discourse " Of Earth and Vegetation" before the Royall Society as a lecture in course after Sir Rob. Southwell had read his the weeke before On Water. I was commanded by our President and the suffrage of the Society to print it.

16 May. This day was my deare friend Mrs. Blagg married at the Temple Church to my friend Mr. Sidney Godolphin, Groome of the Bed-Chamber to His Majesty.

18. I went to visite one Mr. Bathurst, a Spanish merchant, my neighbour.

31. I went with Lord Orris to Deptford, where we chose him Master of the Trinity Company.

2 June. I was at a conference of the Lords and Commons in the Painted Chamber, on a difference about imprisoning some of their members: and on the 3d, at another conference, when the Lords accused the Commons for their transcendent misbehaviour, breach of privilege, Magna Charta, subversion of government, and other high, provoking, and diminishing expressions, shewing what dutys and subjection they owed to the Lords in Parliament by record of Hen. IV. This was likely to create a notable disturbance.

15. This afternoon came Mons' Quenouillet and his lady parents to the famous beauty and y^e fav'rite at Kentish Town, S. R.

* Master of Trinity College, Cambridge; succeeded Dr. John Francis, and was Master of Queen's

Browns, with whom they were intimately acquainted in Bretagne, at the time S^r Richard was sent to Brest to supervise his Ma^ts sea affaires, during the later part of the King's banishment. This gentleman's house was not a mile from Brest ; S^r Richard made an acquaintance there, and being used very civilly, was obliged to returne it here, which we did. He seem'd a soundier person and a good fellow, as the Bretons generally are ; his lady had ben very handsome, and seem'd a shrewd understanding woman. Conversing with him in our garden, I found several words of the Breton language the same with our Welch. His daughter was now made Dutchess of Portsmouth and in the height of favour, but he never made any use of it.

27. At Ely House, I went to the consecration of my worthy friend the learned Dr. Barlow, Warden of Queenes Coll. Oxon, now made Bishop of Lincoln. After it, succeeded a magnificent feast, where were the D. of Ormond, E. of Lauderdale, the Lord Tress', Lord Keeper, &c.

8 July. I went with Mrs. Howard and her two daughters towards Northampton Assizes, about a tryal at law, in which I was concerned for them as a Trustee. We lay this night at Henly on the Thames at our attorney Mr. Stephens's, who entertain'd us very handsomely.—Next day, dining at Shotover at S^r Tim. Tyrill's, a sweete place, we lay at Oxford, where it was the time of the Act. Mr. Rob' Spencer, uncle to the Earle of Sunderland, and my old acquaintance in France, entertain'd us at his apartment in Christ Church, with exceeding generosity.—The 10th, the Vice-Chancellor Dr. Bathurst (who had formerly taken particular care of my sonn), President of Trinity Colledge, invited me to dinner, and did me greate honour all the time of my stay. The next day he invited me and all my company, tho' strangers to him, to a very noble feast. I was at all the academic exercises.—Sonday, at St. Maries, preach'd a Fellow of Brazen-nose, not a little magnifying the dignity of Church-men.—The 11th, we heard the speeches, and saw a ceremony of creating Doctors in Divinity, Law, and Physie, I had early in the morning heard Dr. Morison, Botanic Professor, read on divers plants in the Physic Garden ; and saw that rare collection of natural curiosities of Dr. Plot's, of Magdaleni Hull, author of

"The Natural History of Oxfordshire," all of them collected in that Shire, and indeed extraordinary, that in one County there should be found such variety of plants, shells, stones, minerals, marcasites, fossils, insects, models of works, chrystals, achates, and marbles. He was now intending to visite Staffforshire, and as he had of Oxfordshire, to give us the natural, topical, political, and mechanical history. Pitty it is that more of this industrious man's genius were not employ'd so to describe every County of England; it would be one of the most usefull and illustrious workes that was ever produc'd in any age or nation.

I visited also the Bodleian Library, and my old friend the learned Obadiah Walker*, head of University Coll. which he had now almost rebuilt or repair'd. We then proceeded to Northampton, where we arived the next day.

In this journey went part of the way Mr. Ja. Graham (since Privy Purse to the Duke), a young gentleman exceedingly in love with Mrs. Dorothy Howard, one of the Mayds of Honour in our company †. I could not but pity them both, the mother not much favouring it. This lady was not onely a greate beauty, but a most virtuous and excellent creature, and worthy to have ben wife to the best of men. My advice was required, and I spake to the advantage of the young gentleman, more out of pitty than that she deserv'd no better match, for tho' he was a gentleman of a good family, yet there was greate inequality.

14. I went to see my Lord Sunderland's seat at Althorp, 4 miles from the ragged towne of Northampton (since burned, and well rebuilt). 'Tis placed in a pretty open bottome, very finely watred and flanqued with stately woods and groves in a parke, with a catall, but the water is not running, which is a defect. The house a kind of modern building of freestone, within most nobly furnished. The apartments very commodious, a gallery and noble hall, but the kitchen being in the body of the house, and chapell too small, were defects. There is an old yet honorable gate-house standing very wod and out-

* See p. 635.

† He afterward married her. See p. 476, note.

hanging meane, but design'd to be taken away. It was moated round after the old manner, but it is now dry, and turfed with a beautifull carpet. Above all are admirable and magnificent the severall ample gardes furnish'd with the choicest fruite, and exquisitely kept. Greate plenty of oranges and other curiosities. The parke full of soule, especially herbes, and from it a prospect to Holmby House, which being demolish'd in the late civil warrs, shews like a Roman ruine, shaded by the trees about it, a stately, solemn, and pleasing view.

15. Our cause was pleaded in behalfe of the mother, Mrs. Howard* and her daughters, before Baron Thurland, who had formerly ben steward of Courts for me; we carried our cause, as there was reason, for here was an imprudent as well as disobedient sonn against his mother, by instigation doubtlesse of his wife, one Mrs. Ogle (an ancient maid), whom he had clandestinely married, and who brought him no fortune, he being heire apparent of the Earle of Berkshire. We lay at Brickhill in Bedfordshire, and came late next day to our journey's end.

This was a journey of adventures and knight errantry. One of the lady's servants being as desperately in love with Mrs. Howard's woman as Mr. Graham was with her daughter, and she riding on horschack behind his rival, the amorous and jealous youth having a little drink in his pate, had here killed himself had he not ben prevented; for, alighting from his horse, and drawing his sword, he endeavoured twice or thrice to fall on it, but was interrupted by our coachman and a stranger passing by. After this, running to his rival and snatching his sword from his side (for we had beaten his owne out of his hand), and on the suddaine pulling downe his mistresse, would have run both

* Mrs. Howard was widow of William fourth son of the first Earl of Berkshire, being the daughter of Lord Dundas of the kingdom of Scotland. They had one son Craven Howard, and two daughters, Dorothy, who married Col. James Grahame of Levens in Westmoreland; and Anne, who married Sir Gabriel Sylvius, Knt. Craven married two wives, the first of which was Anne, daughter of Tho. Ogle of Muchbeck, co. Linc. Esq.; then maid of honour to Queen Catherine. *Collar's Peerage*, vol. II. pp. 129, 140, edit. 1735.

These two daughters are the ladies here mentioned by Mr. Evelyn; but he is not correct in calling Craven heir apparent of the Earl of Berks, who besides the uncle then in possession of the title, there was another uncle before him, who in fact inherited it, and did not die till many years later.

of them tho'; we parted them, bat not without some blood. This miserable creature poyson'd himselfe for her not many daies after they came to London.

19. The Lord Treas^r Chaplaine preached at Wallingford-House.

9 Aug. Dr. Sprat, prebend of Westminster and Chaplain to the Duke of Buckingham, preached on the 3rd Epistle of Jude, shewing what the primitive faith was, how neere it and how excellent that of the Church of England, also the danger of departing from it.

27. I visited the Bishop of Rochester at Bromely, and dined at S^r Philip Warwick's at Frogpoole [Frognall].

2 Sept. I went to see Dulwich Colledge, being the pious foundation of one Allen, a famous Comedian in King James's time. The Chapell is pretty, the rest of the Hospital very ill contriv'd; it yet maintaines divers poore of both sexes. 'Tis in a melancholy part of Camerwell parish. I came back by certaine medicinal Spa waters, at a place called Sydnam Wells in Lewisham parish, much frequented in Summer.

10. I was casually shewed the Dutchesse of Portsmouth's splendid appartment at White-hall, luxuriously furnished, and with ten times the richnesse and glory beyond the Queenes; such massy pieces of plate, whole tables, & stands of incredible value.

29. I saw the Italian Scaramucchio act before y^e King at White-hall, people giving money to come in, which was very scandalous, and never so before at Court diversions. Having seen him act before in Italy, many yeares past, I was not averse from seeing the most excellent of that kind of folly.

14 Oct. Din'd at Kensington with my old acquaintance Mr. Henshaw, newly return'd from Denmark, where he had ben left resident after the death of the Duke of Richmond, who died there Ambassador.

15. I got an extreme cold, such as was afterwards so epidemical, as not only to afflict us in this island, but was ~~sick~~ over all Europe, like a plague. It was after an exceeding dry summer and autumn.

I settled affaires, my sonn being to go into France with my Lord Berkeley, design'd Ambass^r extraordinary for France and Plenipotentiary for the general treaty of peace at Nimeguen.

24. Din'd at Lord Chamberlain's with the Holland Ambass^r L. Duras, a valiant gent^a whom his Maj^y made an English Baron, of a cadet, and gave him his seate of Holmby in Northamptonshire* [since Earle of Feversham].

27. Lord Berkeley coming into Council, fell downe in the gallerie at White-hall in a fit of apoplexie, and being carried into my Lord Chamberlaines lodgings, severall famous doctors were employed all that night, and with much ado he was at last recover'd to some sense, by applying hot fire-pans and spirit of amber to his head, but nothing was found so effectual as cupping him on the shoulders. It was an almost miraculous restauration. The next day he was carried to Berkeley House. This stopp'd his journey for the present, and caused my stay in towne. He had put all his affaires and his whole estate in England into my hands during his intended absence, which tho' I was very unfit to undertake, in reguard of many businesses which then took me up, yet upon the greate importunity of my lady and Mr. Godolphin (to whom I could refuse nothing) I did take it on me. It seemes when he was Deputy in Ireland, not long before, he had ben much wronged by one he left i[n] trust with his affaires, and therefore wished for some unmercenary friend who would take that trouble on him; this was to receive his rents, look after his houses and tenants, solicite supplies from the Lord Treass^r, and correspond weekly with him, more than enough to employ any drudge in England; but what will not friendship and love make one do?

31. Din'd at my Lord Chamberlain's with my sonn. There were the learned Isaac Vossius and Spanhemius, son of the famous man of Heidelberg, nor was this gentleman less learned, being a generall scholar. Amongst other pieces he was author of an excellent treatise on Medals.

10 Nov. Being y^e day appointed for my Lord Ambass^r to set out, I met them with my coach at New Crosse. There were with him my Lady his wife and my deare friend Mrs. Godolphin, who out of an extraordinary friendship would needes accompany my lady to Paris, and

* See Bridges's Northamptonshire, vol. I. p. 526.

stay with her sometime, which was the chief inducement for permitting my sonn to travel, but I knew him safe under her inspection, and in regard my Lord himself had promis'd to take him into his special favour, he having intrusted all he had to my care.

Thus we set out, 3 coaches (besides mine), 3 waggons, and about forty horse. It being late, and my lord as yet but valetudinarie, we got but to Dartford the first day; the next to Sittingbourne.

At Rochester, the major, Mr. Cony, then an officer of mine for the sick and wounded of that place, gave the ladies a handsome refreshment as we came by his house.

12. We came to Canterbury, and next morning to Dover.

There was in my Lady Ambassadresses company my Lady Hamilton, a sprightly young lady, much in the good graces of the family, wife of that valiant and worthy gentleman Geo. Hamilton, not long after slaine in the warres. She had ben a maid of honour to the Dutchesse, and now turn'd Papist.

14. Being Sonday, my Lord having before deliver'd to me his letter of attorney, keyes, scale, and his will, we tooke solemn leave of one another upon the beach, the coaches carrying them into the sea to the boats, which deliver'd them to Capt. Gunman's yatch the Mary. Being under saile, the castle gave them 17 gunns, which Capt. Gunman answered with 11. Hence I went to Church, to beg a blessing on their voyage.

2 Dec. Being returned home, I visited Lady Mordaunt at Parsons Greene, my Lord her sonn being sick. This pious woman deliver'd to me £100. to bestow as I thought fit for y^e release of poore prisoners and other charitable uses.

21. Visited her Ladyship againe, where I found the Bp. of Winchester, whom I had long known in France: he invited me to his house at Chelsey.

23 Dec. Lady Sunderland gave me ten guineas to bestow in charities.

1676, 20 Feb. Dr. Gouning, Bishop of Ely, presented before the King from 20 St. John 21, 22, 23, chiefly against an anonymous booke called "Naked Truth," a famous and popular tracte against the corruption in y^e Cleargie, but not sound to its accusations, supposed to have

hen the Bishop of Hereford's [Dr. Herbert Croft], and was answered by Dr. Turner, it endeavoring to prove an equality of order of Bishop and Presbyter.

27. Dr. Pritchard, Bp. of Gloucester, preached at White-hall on 5 Isaiah 5, very allegorically according to his manner, yet very gravely and wittily.

29 Feb. I din'd with Mr. Pevey, one of the Masters of Requests, a nice contriver of all elegaunes, and exceedingly formall. Supped with Sir J. Williamson, where were of our Society Mr. Robert Boyle, Sir Christ. Wren, Sir W^m. Petty, Dr. Holden, sub-dean of his Majesty's Chapell, Sir James Shaen, Dr. Whistler, and our Secretary Mr. Oldenburg.

4 Mar. Sir Tho^r Linch was returned from his government of Jamaica.

16. The Countesse of Sunderland and I went by water to Parsons Greene to visite my Lady Mordaunt, and to consult with her about my Lord's monument. We return'd by coach.

19. Dr. Lloyd, late Curate at Deptford, but now Bishop of Llandaff, preached before the King on 1 Cor. 15. 57. that tho' sin subjects us to Death, yet thro' Christ we become his conquerors.

24. Dr. Brideoak*, Bp. of Chichester, preach'd; a meau discourse for a Bishop. I also heard Dr. Fleetwood, Bp. of Worcester, on 26 Matt. 38, of the sorrows of Christ, a deadly sorrow caused by our sinns; he was no great preacher.

23. To Twickenham Park, Lord Berkeley's country seate, to examine how the bailiffs and servants ordered matters.

30. Dining with my La. Sunderland, I saw a fellow swallow a knife, and divers great pebble stones, which would make a plaine rattling one against another. The knife was in a sheath of horne.

Dr. North, sonn to my Lord North, preach'd before the King on 53 Isaieh 57, a very young but learned and excellent person. Note. This was the first time the Duke appeared no more in Chapell, to the infinite griefe and threatned ruine of this poore Nation.

2 April. I had now notice that my deare friend Mrs. Godolphin was returning from Paris. On the 6th she arived to my grete joy, whom I most heartily welcomed.

28 April. My wife entertain'd her Ma^y at Deptford, for which the Queene gave me thanks in the withdrawing-roome at White-hall.

The University of Oxford presented me with the "Marmora Oxoniensis Arundelliana;" the Bp. of Oxford writing to desire that I would introduce Mr. Prideaux the Editor (a young man most learned in Antiquities) to the Duke of Norfolk, to present another dedicated to his Grace, which I did, and we din'd with the Duke at Arundel House, and sapp'd at the Bp. of Rochester's with Isaac Vossius.

7 May. I spoke to the Duke of York about my Lo. Berkeley's going to Nimeguen. Thence to the Queene's Council at Somerset House, about Mrs. Godolphin's lease of Spalding in Lincolnshire.

11. I dined with Mr. Charleton, and went to see Mr. Mountague's new palace neere Bloomsbury, built by Mr. Hooke of our Society after the French manner *.

13. Return'd home and found my son come from France, praised be God.

22. Trinity Monday. A chaplain of my Lord Ossorie's preach'd, after w^{ch} we took barge to Trinity House in London. Mr. Pepys (Secretary of the Admiralty) succeeded my Lord as Master.

2 June. I went with my Lord Chamberlaine to see a garden at Enfield towne; thence to Mr. Secretary Coventry's lodge in the Chase. It is a very pretty place, the house commodious, the gardens handsome, and our entertainment very free, there being none but my Lord and myselfe. That which I most wondered at was, that in the compass of 25 miles, yet within 14 of London, there is not an house, barn, church, or building, besides three lodges. To this Lodge are three greate ponds and some few inclosures, the rest a solitare desert, yet stor'd with not lesse than 3000 deer. These are pretty retreats for gentlemen, especialy for those who are studious and lovers of privacy.

We return'd in the evening by Hamsted, to see Lord Wotton's house and garden *, built with vast expense by Mr. O'Neale, an Irish gentⁿ who married Lord Wotton's mother Lady Stanhope. The furniture is very particular for Indian cabinets, porcelane, and other solid and noble moveables. The gallery very fine, y^e gardens very large, but ill kept, yet woody and chargeable. The soil a cold weeping clay, not answering the expence.

12 June. I went to S^r Tho. Bond's new and fine house by Peckham; it is on a flat, but has a fine garden and prospect thro' the meadows to London.

2 July. Dr. Castillion, Prebend of Canterbury, preached before the King on 15 John 22. at White-hall.

19. Went to the funeral of S^r William Sanderson, husband to y^e mother of the Maids †, and author of two large but meane histories of King James and K. Charles the First. He was buried at Westminster.

1 Aug. In the afternoone, after prayers at St. James's Chapell, was christned a daughter of Dr. Leakes, the Duke's Chaplaine: Godmothers were Lady Mary, daughter of the Duke of York, and the Duchesse of Monmouth: Godfather, the Earle of Bathe.

15. Came to dine with me my Lord Halifax, Sir Thomas Meeres, one of the Commissioners of the Admiralty, Sir John Clayton, Mr. Slingsby, Mr. Henshaw, and Mr. Bridgeman.

25. Din'd with Sir John Banks at his house in Lincoln's Inn Fields, on recommending Mr. Upman to be tutor to his son going into France. This Sir John Banks was a merchant of small beginning, but had amass'd 100,000*l.*

26. I din'd at y^e Admiralty with Secretary Pepys, and supp'd at the Lord Chamberlaines. Here was Capt. Baker, who had ben lately on the attempt of the North West Passage. He reported prodigious depth of ice, blew as a sapphire, and as transparent. The thick mists were their chiefe impediment and cause of their returne.

* Belvoir House.

† The Queen's Maids of Honour; there is or lately was a place with that title. (1816.)

2 Sept. I paid 1700*l.* to y^e Marquis de Sissac, which he had lent to my Lord Berkeley, and which I heard the Marquess lost at play in a night or two.

The Dean of Chichester preach'd before the King on 24 Acts 16; and Dr. Crighton preach'd y^e second sermon before him on 90 Psalm 12. of wisely numbering our daies and well employing our time.

3. Dined at Capt. Graham's, where I became acquainted with Dr. Compton, brother to the Earle of Northampton, now Bishop of London, and Mr. North, sonn to the Lord North, brother to the 2^d Cheife Justice and Clerke of the Closet, a most hopefull young man. The Bishop had once ben a scouldier, had also travel'd Italy, and became a most sober, grave, and excellent prelate.

6. Supped at the Lord Chamberlaine's, where also supped the famous beauty and errant lady the Datchesse of Mazarine (all the world knows her storie), the Duke of Monmouth, Countesse of Sussex (both natural children of the King by the Dutchess of Cleaveland*), and y^e Countesse of Derby, a virtuous lady, daughter to my best friend the Earle of Ossorie.

10 Sept. Din'd with me Mr. Flamsted, the learned astrologer and mathematician, whom his May had establish'd in the new Observatorie in Greenwich Park furnish'd with the choicest instruments. An honest, sincere man.

12. To Loudon, to take order about the building of an house, or rather an appartement which had all the conveniences of an house, for my deare friend Mr. Godolphin and lady, which I undertooke to contrive and survey, and employ workmen 'till it should be quites finished; it being just over against his Majesties wood yard by the Thames side, leading to Scotland yard.

19. To Lambeth, to that rare magazine of marble, to take order for chimney-pieces, &c. for Mr. Godolphin's house. The owner of the

* Mr. Evelyn forgot himself here. The Duke W. Montagu's widow was it is well known, Mrs. Lucy Walter, who was sometimes called Mrs. Baffon, (mention'd before) Lady Anne Villroy, as she is called in the books of Poetry, was married to Leonard Grey, Earl of Sussex, by whom she left a daughter only, who afterwards by her husband's death to the Duke of Newcastle, Mr. Evelyn probably meant to speak of either the Duke of Northumberland, the Duke of Cambridge, or the Duke of Northumberland, all of whom Charles the Second had by the Duchess of Cleveland.

workes had built for himselfe a pretty dwelling-house ; this Dutchman had contracted with the Genoese for all their marble. We also saw the Duke of Buckingham's Glasse-worke, where they made huge vases of metall as cleare, ponderous and thick as chrystal ; also looking-glasses far larger and better than any that come from Venice.

9 Oct. I went with Mrs. Godolphin and my wife to Black-wall, to see some Indian curiosities ; the streetes being slippery I fell against a piece of timber with such violence that I could not speake nor fetch my breath for some space : being carried into an house and let blood, I was removed to the water side and so home, where after a daies rest I recovered. This being one of my greatest deliverances, the Lord Jesus make me ever mindfull and thankfull.

31. Being my birth-day, and 56 yeares old, I spent the morning in devotion and imploring God's protection, wth solemn thanksgiving for all his signal mercies to me; especially for that escape which concerned me this moneth at Black-wall. Dined with Mrs. Godolphin, and returned home through a prodigious and dangerous mist.

9 Nov. Finish'd y^e lease of Spalding for Mr. Godolphin.

16. My sonn and I dining at my Lord Chamberlaine's, he shew'd us amongst others that incomparable piece of Raphael's, being a Minister of State dictating to Guicciardini, the earnestness of whose face looking up in expectation of what he was next to write is so to the life, and so naturall, as I esteeme it one of the choicest pieces of that admirable artist. There was a Woman's head of Leonardo da Vinci; a Madona of old Palma, and two of Van-Dyke's, of which one was his owne picture at length, when young, in a leaning posture ; the other an English singing. Rare pieces indeede.

4 Dec. I saw the greate ball daunced by all the gallants and ladyes at the Dutchesse of York's.

10 Dec. There fell so deep a snow as hinder'd us from church.

12. To London, in so great a snow as I remember not to have seen the like.

17. More snow falling, I was not able to get to church.

1677. 6 Feb. I went to Roehampton with my lady Dutchesse of Ormond. The garden and perspective is pretty, the prospect most agreeable.

15 May. Came the Earle of Peterborough to desire me to be a Trustee for Lord Visc. Mordaunt and the Countesse, for y^e sale of certaine lands set out by Act of Parliament to pay debts.

12. I went to London to give the Lo. Amb^r Berkeley (now return'd from the Treaty at Nimeguen) an account of the greate trust repos'd in me during his absence, I having receiv'd and remitted to him no lesse than 20,000l. to my no small trouble and losse of time, that during his absence and when the Lord Treasurer was no greate friend [of his] I yet procur'd him greate sums, very often soliciting his Ma^y in his behalfe; looking after the rest of his estate and concernes intirely, without once accepting any kind of acknowledgment, purely upon the request of my dear friend Mr. Godolphin. I return'd with abundance of thanks and professions from my Lo. Berkeley and my Lady.

29. This business being now at an end and myself deliver'd from that intollerable servitude and correspondence, I had leisure to be somewhat more at home and to myselfe.

3 July. I sealed the deeds of sale of the Mannor of Blechinglee to Sir Rob^r Clayton, for payment of Lo. Peterborough's debts, accord.ing to the trust of the Act of Parliament.

16. I went to Wotton. -- 22. Mr. Evans, curate of Abinger, preach'd an excellent sermon on 5 Matthew 12. In y^e afternoone Mr. Higham at Wotton catechised.

26. I din'd at Mr. Duncomb's at Sheere, whose house stands in viriou'd with very sweete and quicke streams.

29. Mr. Bohun, my sonn's late tutor, preached at Abinger on 4 Phil. 8. very elegantly and practically.

5 Aug. I went to visite my Lord Brounker, now taking the waters at Dulwich.

9. Din'd at the Earl of Peterborow's the day after y^e marriage of my Lord of Arundel to Lady Mary Mordaunt daughter to the Earle of Peterborough.

28. To visite my Lord Chamberlaine in Bedf^rd: he sent his coach and 6 to meete and bring me from St. Edmunds Bay to London.

29. We hunted in the park and kill'd a very fat buck. I went a hawking.

7 Sept. There din'd this day at my Lord's one S^r John Gaudy, a very handsome person, but quite dumb, yet very intelligent by signes, and a very fine painter; he was so civil and well bred as it was not possible to discerne any imperfection by him. His lady and children were also there, and he was at church in the morning with us.

4. I went to visite my Lord Crofts, now dying at St. Edmonds Bury, and tooke this opportunity to see this ancient Towne, and the remaines of that famous Monasterie and Abby. There is little standing intire save the gate-house; it has ben a vast and magnificent Gotic structure, and of greate extent. The gates are wood, but quite plated over with iron. There are also two stately churches, one especialey.

5. I went to Thetford, the Burrough Towne, where stand the ruines of a religious house; there is a round mountaine artificially raised, either for some castle or monument, which makes a pretty landscape. As we went and return'd, a tumbler shew'd his extraordinary addresse in the Warren. I also saw the Decoy, much pleas'd with the stratagem.

9. A stranger preach'd at Euston church, and fell into a handsome panegyric on my Lord's new building the church, which indeede for its elegance and cherefullness is one of the prettiest country churches in England. My Lord told me his heart smote him that after he had bestow'd so much on his magnificent palace there, he should see God's House in the ruine it lay in. He has also rebuilt y^e parsonage-house, all of stone, very neat and ample.

10. To divert me, my Lord would needs carry me to see Ipswich, when we din'd with one Mr. Mann by the way, who was Recorder of the towne. There were in our company my Lord Huntingtoune sonn to the Datehesse of Lauderdale, S^r Ed. Bacon a learned gentleman of the family of y^e greate Chane^r Verulam, and Sir John Felton, with some other Knights and Gent^r. After dinner came the Bailiff and Magistrate in their formalities with their maces to compliment my Lord and invite him to the Towne-house, where they presented us a collation of dried sweet meates and wine, the bells ringing, &c. Then we went to see this towne, and first, the Lord Visc^r Hereford's house, which stands in a park neere the towne, like that at Bruxelles in Flanders: the house not greate yet pretty, especialey y^e hall. The stewes for fish

succeed one another and feed one the other, all paved at bottome. There is a good picture of the *Bl. Virgin* in one of y^e parlours, seeming to be of Holbein or some good master. Then we saw the Haven, 7 miles from Harwich. The tide runs out every day, but the bedding being soft mudd it is safe for shipping and a station. The trade of Ipswich is for the most part Newcastle coales, with which they supply London, but it was formerly a cloathing towne. There is not any beggar asks alms in the whole place, a thing very extraordinary, so order'd by y^e prudente of the Magistrates. It has in it 14 or 15 beautiful churches: in a word 'tis for building, cleanliness, and good order, one of the best townes in England. Cardinal Wolsey was a butcher's sonn of this towne, but there is little of that magnificent Prelate's foundation here, besides a schole and I think a library, which I did not see. His intentions were to build some greate thing. We return'd late to Euston, having travell'd above 50 miles this day.

Since first I was at this place, I found things exceedingly improv'd. It is seated in a bottome between two gracefull swellings, the maine building being now in y^e figure of a Greek Π with foure pavilions, two at each corner, and a breake in the front, rui'l'd and balusters at the top, where I caus'd huge jarrs to be plac'd full of earth to keepe them steady upon their pedestals between the statues, which make as good a shew as if they were of stone, and tho' the building be of brick, and but two stories besides cellars, and garretts cover'd with blue slate, yet there is roome enough for a full court, the offices and out-houses being as ample and well-dispos'd. The King's apartment is painted à fresco, and magnificently furnish'd. There are many excellent pictures of the greate masters. The gallery is a pleasant, noble roome; in the breake, or middle, is a billiard-table, but the wainscot being of firr and painted, does not please me so well as Spanish oake without paint. The chapel is pretty, the porch descending to the garden. The orange garden is very fine, and leads into the green-house, at y^e end of which is a hall to eate in, and the conservatory some hundred feet long, adorn'd with maps, at the other side is with the boudoir. Casuarill cut in alabaster; over head are several apartments for my Lord, Lady,

and Dutchesse*, with kitchens and other offices below in a lesser form, with lodgings for servants, all distinct, for them to retire to when they please and would be in private and have no communication with the palace, which he tells me he will wholly resign to his sonn-in-law and daughter, that charming young creature. The canall running under my lady's dressing-room chamber window is full of carps and foule which come and are fed there. The cascade at the end of y^e canall turnes a corne-mill, which provides the family, and raises water for y^e fountaines and offices. To passe this canal into the opposite meadows, S^r Sam^t Moreland has invented a screw-bridge, w^{ch} being turn'd with a key lands you 50 foote distant at the entrance of an ascending walke of trees, a mile in length, as tis also on the front into the park, of 4 rows of ash-trees; and reaches to the park-pale, which is 9 miles in compass, and the best for riding and meeting the game that I ever saw. There were now of red and fallow deere almost a thousand, with good covert, but the soile barren and flying sand, in which nothing will grow kindly. The tufts of farr and much of the other wood were planted by my direction some yeares before. This seate is admirably plac'd for field-sports, hawking, hunting, or racing. The mutton is small, but sweete. The stables hold 30 horses and 4 coaches. The out-offices make two large quadrangles, so as servants never liv'd with more ease and convenience, never master more civil. Strangers are attended and accomodated as at their home, in pretty apartments furnish'd with all manner of conveniencies and privacy. There is a library full of excellent books. There are bathing-rooms, elaboratorie, dispensatorie, a decoy, and places to keepe and fat fowl in. He had now in his new church (neare y^e garden) built a dormitory or vault with several repositories in which to burie his family. In the expence of this pious structure, the church is most laudable, most of the Houses of God in this country resembling rather stables and thatch'd cottages than temples in which to serve the Most High. He has built a lodge in the park for the keeper, which is a neat dwelling and might become any gentleman.

* His daughter, wife of the Duke of Grafton.

The same has he don for the parson, little deserving it, for murmarring that my Lord put him some time out of his wretched hovel, whilst it was building. He has also erected a faire inn at some distance from his palace, with a bridge of stone over a river neere it, and repaired all the tenants houses, so as there is nothing but neatenesse and accommodations about his estate, which I yet think is not above £1500 a yeare. I believe he had now in his family 100 domestic servants. His lady (being one of the Bredrodes daughters, grandchild to a natural sonn of Henry Frederick Prince of Orange) is a good-natur'd and obliging woman. They love fine things and to live easily, pomponously, and hospitably, but with so vast expence as plunges my Lord into debt exceedingly. My Lord himselfe is given to no expensive vice but building, and to have all things rich, polite, and princely. He never plays, but reades much, having the Latiu, French and Spanish tongues in perfection. He has travell'd much, and is the best bred and courtly person his Ma'y has about him, so as the publiq Ministers more frequent him than any of the rest of the Nobility. Whilst he was Secretary of State and Prime Minister he had gotten vastly, but spent it as hastily, even before he had establish'd a fund to maintaine his greatness; and now beginning to decline in favour (y^e Duke being no great friend of his) he knows not how to retrench. He was sonn of a D^r of Laws whom I have scene, and being sent from Westminster Schole to Oxford with intention to be a Divine, and parson of Harlington*, a village neere Brantford, when Master of Arts, the Rebellion falling out, he follow'd the King's Army, and receiving an honourable wound in the face, grew into favour, and was advanc'd from a meane fortune, at his Ma^r^t restoration, to be an Earle and Kn^t of the Garter, Lord Chamberlaine of the Household, and first favourite for a long time, during which the King married his natural sonn, y^e Duke of Grafton, to his onely daughter and heiress, as before mentioned, worthy for her beauty and virtue of the greatest Prince in Christendom. My Lord is, however this, a prouident and

* See in Lord Clarendon's Continuation of his Life, &c. a curious circumstance relating to Sir Henry Brouncker taking his title when first created a Baron, from his brother.

+ A deep cut across his nose, of which was always obliged to wear a black patch over it, and is so represented in his portraits.

understanding person in businesse and speakes well. Unfortunate yet in those he has advanc'd, most of them proving ungratefull. The many obligations and civilities I have receiv'd from this noble gentleman extracte from me this character, and I am sorry he is in no better circumstances.

Having now pass'd neere three weeks at Euston to my greate satisfaction, with much difficulty he suffer'd me to looke homeward, being very earnest with me to stay longer, and to engage me, would himselfe have carried and accompanied me to Lynn Regis, a towne of important traffiq; about 20 miles beyond, which I had never seene, as also the Travelling Sands about 10 miles wide of Euston, that have so damag'd the country, rouling from place to place, and like the Sands in y^r Deserts of Lybia, quite overwhelm'd some gentlemen's whole estates, as the relation extant in print and brought to our Society describes at large.

13 Sept. My Lord's coach convey'd me to Bury, and thence baiting at Newmarket, stepping in at Audley End to see that house againe, I slept at Bishops Stortford, and the next day home. I was accompanied in my journey by Major Fairfax, of a younger house of the Lord Fairfax, a scouldier, a traveller, an excellent musitian, a good-natur'd well-bred gentleman.

18. I preferred Mr. Philips (nephew of Milton) to the service of my Lord Chamberlaine, who wanted a scholar to reade to & entertaine him sometimes.

12 Oct. With S^r Robert Clayton to Marden, an estate he had bought lately of my kinsman S^r John Evelyn of Godstone in Surrey, which from a despicable farme house S^r Robert had erected into a seate with extraordinary expence. 'Tis in such a solitude among hills, as being not above 16 miles from London, seems almost incredible, the ways up to it so winding and intricate. The gardens are large, and well wall'd, and the husbandry part made very convenient and perfectly understood. The barnes, the stacks of corne, the stalls for cattle, pigeon-house, &c. of most laudable example. Innumerable are the plantations of trees, especially walnuta. The orangerie and gardens are very curious. In the house are large and noble roomes. He and his lady (who is very circums in distillery) entertain'd me three or fourre days very freely. I

earnestly suggested to him the repairing of an old desolate dilapidated Church, standing on the hill above the house*, w^{ch} I left him in good disposition to do, and endow it better; there not being above four or five houses in the parish besides that of this prodigious rich Scrivener†. This place is exceeding sharp in the winter, by reason of the serpentine of the hills; and it wants running water; but the solitude much pleasd me. All the ground is so full of wild thyme, marjoram, and other sweete plants, that it cannot be overstock'd with bees; I think he had neere 40 hives of that industrious insect.

14. I went to Church at Godstone, and to see old Sir John Evelyn's *dormitory*, joining to the church, pav'd with marble, where he and his lady lie on a very stately monument at length; he in armour, of white marble‡. The inscription is only an account of his particular branch of the family on black marble.

15. Returned to London; in the evening, I saw the Prince of Orange, and supped with Lord Ossory.

23. Saw againe the Prince of Orange: his marriage with the Lady Mary, eldest daughter to the Duke of York, by Mrs. Hyde, the late Dutchesse, was now declared.

11 Nov. I was all this week composing matters betweene old Mrs. Howard and S^r Gabriel Sylvius, upon his long and earnest addresses to Mrs. Ann her second daughter§, mayd of honor to the Queene. My

* Woldingham. The Church consists of one room about 30 feet long and 11 wide, without any tower, spire, or bell. It is considered as a Donative, not subject to the Bishop, service performed once a month. No Churchwarden; two farm-houses, four cottages. By the Population Return in 1811, the number of inhabitants was 58. That disposition which was thought to have appeared subsided; the Church remains as it then was.

† In London there was formerly a Company called Scriveners, now extict. The last member of it, named Ellis, died at the age of more than 90. Dr. Johnson speaks well of him in the present reign. The business comprehendeth that of a Banker, and what is now called a Conveyancer; they had money deposited with them for the purpose of making purchases, or lending on mortgage: they preparing the Conveyances. In the time of K. Charles I, during the troubles, and the interregnum, a gentleman of the name of Abbot in the City had a very great share of this business. Sir Robert Clayton and a Mr. Morris were his clerks at the same time, and jointly succeeded to his business, in which they had acquired a great estate. Mr. Morris died first, and having no children, left his property to his friend Sir Robert. The Editor lately saw a debt created by Mr. Abbot as Scrivener, and by Mr. Morris and Mr. Clayton as his tenants.

‡ It is a very fine monument, in perfect preservation. (1616.) [See p. 472 note.]

friend Mrs. Godolphin (who exceedingly lov'd the young lady) was most industrious in it, out of pitty to y^e languishing knight; so as tho' there were greate differences in their yeares, it was at last effected, and they were married the 13th in Hen. 7ths Chapell by the Bishop of Rochester*, there being besides my wife and Mrs. Graham, her sister, Mrs. Godolphin, and very few more. We din'd at the old lady's, and supp'd at Mr. Graham's at St. James's.

15. The Quene's birth-day, a greate Ball at Court, where the Prince of Orange and his new Princesse daunced.

19. They went away, and I saw embrqu'd my Lady Sylvius, who went into Holland with her husband, made Hoffmaester to the Prince, a considerable employment. We parted with greate sorrow, for the greate respect and honour I bore her, a most pious and virtuous lady.

27. Din'd at the Lord Treasurer's with Prince Rupert, Vise Falckenberg, Earle of Bathe, Lord O'Brien, Sir John Lowther, Sir Christ. Wren, Dr. Grew, and other learned men.

30. Sr Joseph Williamson, Principal Secretary of State, was chosen President of the Royal Society after my Lord Viscount Brounker had possess'd the chaire now sixteen yeares successively, and therefore now thought fit to change, that prescription might not prejudice.

4 Deo. Being the first day of his taking the chaire, he gave us a magnifcent supper.

20. Carried to my Lord Treasurer an account of the Earl of Bristol's Librarie at Wimbleton, which my Lord thought of purchasing, till I acquainted him that it was a very broken collection, consisting much in books of judicial astrologie, romances and trifles†.

25. I gave my sonn an Office, with instructions how to govern his youth, & I pray God give him the gracie to make a right use of it.

1678. 23 Jan. Din'd with y^e Duke of Norfolk, being the first time I had seene him since the death of his elder brother, who died at Pados in Italy, where he had resided above 30 yeares. The Duke

* Dr. John Daffen, also Dean of Westminster, translated afterwards to York.

† A library of this description would at this day be deemed a very curious one, and an object probably of much competition. *Habent sua fata libelli!*

had now newly declar'd his marriage to his concubine, whom he promis'd me he never would marry*. I went with him to see the Duke of Buckingham, thence to my Lord Sunderland, now Secretary of State, to shew him that rare piece of Vosterman's (son of old Vosterman) which was a view or landscape of my Lord's palace, &c. at Althorp in Northamptonshire.

8 Feb. Supping at my Lord Chamberlaine's, I had a long discourse with the Conte de Castel Mellor, lately Prime Minister in Portugal, who taking part with his master King Alphonso was banish'd by his brother Don Pedro, now Regent, but had behaved himselfe so uncorruptly in all his ministrie, that tho' he was acquitted and his estate restored, yet would they not suffer him to returne. He is a very intelligent and worthy gentleman.

18. My Lord Treasurer sent for me to accompany him to Wimbleton, which he had lately purchased of y^e Earle of Bristol: so breaking fast with him privately in his chamber, I accompanied him with two of his daughters, my Lord Conway and S^r Bernard Gascoyne, and having surveyed his gardens and alterations, returned late at night.

22. Dr. Pierce preach'd at White-hall on 2 Thessal. 3. 6. against our late Schismatics, in a rational discourse, but a little over-sharp and not at all proper for the auditory there.

22 Mar. Dr. South preached *coram Rege* an incomparable discourse on this text, "A wounded spirit who can beare!" Note: Now was our communion table plac'd altar-wise; the church steeple, clock, and other reparations finish'd.

16 April. I shewed Dom. Emanuel de Lyra (Portugal Ambass') and the Count de Castel Mellor the Repository of the R. Society and the Colledge of Physitians.

18. I went to see New Bedlam Hospital, magnificently built†, and most sweetely placed in More-fields, since the dreadful fire in London.

* It appears by the Books of Peerage that his Grace married to his second wife Mrs. Jane Bickerton, daughter of a Scotch gentleman, Robert Bickerton, Esq. who was Gentleman of the Wine Cellar to King Charles II. There are engraved portraits both of this Duke and his Duchess. See pp. 444, 498.

† Taken down, being greatly decayed, in 1814, and a new one erected on the Surrey side of the Thames, in the road leading from St. George's Fields to Lambeth. On pulling it down, the

Went to Wotton and Windsor with my Lord Chamberlaine (the Queen's Master of the Household) with exceeding cost) to see the rare worke of England, and especially the drawing of Gibbons.

Companied with my Lord by Hounslow Heath, where we saw the new and army encamp'd, design'd against France, in pretence at least, but which gave umbrage to the Parliament. His Maj^t and a world of company were in the field, and the whole army in battalia, a very good sight. Now were brought into service a new sort of Soldiers called Musketeers, who were dextrous in flinging hand granados, every one having a pouch full; they had furr'd caps with coped crownes like Lancasters, which made them looke very fierce, and some had long hoods hanging down behind, as we picture fools. Their clothing being likewise tybald yellow and red.

25th Day. Came to dine with me my Lord Longford, Treasurer of Ireland; nephew to that learned gentleman my Lord Aungier, with whom I was long since acquainted: also the lady Stidolph and other company.

The Earl of Ormonde came to take his leave of me, going into Ireland to command the English forces.

We did went to the Tower to try a mettal at the Assay-masters, w^t only pur'd Sulphur; then saw Mons^r Rotiere, that excellent graver belonging to the Mint; who emulates even the ancients, in both mettal and stones: he was now moulding an horse for y^e King's statue, to be cast in silver of weight high. I din'd with Mr. Slingsby, Master of the Mint.

26th Day. Visited Mr. Elias Ashmole's library and curiosities at London, and his MSS, but most of them astrological, to w^t I believe not learned, but very industrious; also the Knights of the Order of the Garter proves. He shew'd me a tower of stone, and yet not discovering any house about the

same, which I have heard to be built on part of the Towne-wall, and on a building. Patients were referred to the new building

continued. The famous John Tradescant bequeathed his Herbarium to this gentleman, who has given them to the University of Oxford, and erected a lecture on them; over the Laboratory, in imitation of their R. Society".

Mr. Godolphin was made Master of the Robes to the King.

25. There was sent me 70/- from whom I knew not, to be by me distributed among poore people: I afterwards found it was from that deere friend (Mrs. Godolphin) who had frequently given me large sums to bestow on charities.

16 Aug. I went to Lady Mordaunt, who put 100/- into my hands to dispose of for pious uses, relief of prisoners, poore, &c. Many a sum had she sent me on similar occasions: a blessed creature she was, and one that loved and feared God exemplarily.

23. Upon Sir Robt Reading's importunity I went to visite the Duke of Norfolk at his new palace at Weybridge^f, where he has laid out in building neare £10,000, on a copyhold, and in a miserable, barren, sandy place by the street side; never in my life had I seen such expense to so small purpose. The rooms are wainscoted, and some of them richly parquettred with cedar, yew, cypress, &c. There are some good pictures, especially that incomparable painting of Holbein's, where the Duke of Norfolk, Charles Brandon, and Hen. VIII. are dancing with the three ladies, with most amorous countenances and sprightly motion exquisitely expressed. 'Tis a thousand pity (as I told my Lord of Arundel his son) that that jewel should be given away.

24. I went to see my Lord of St. Albans' house at Byfield, an old large building. Thence to the paper mills, where I found them making

* The donation took place in 1677, and a suitable building was erected by the Duke of York, bearing the name of the "Ashmolean Museum". This was the first publick museum for the reception of Rarities in Art or Nature established in England, and is now the Museum of the Royal Society of Natural History in this country, possessed still as was their custom, by Mr. Ashmole, and his superior collection. There are good portraits of Animals, and of the principal persons of the time, in the Museum, from which engravings have been very inaccurately taken.

^f This house was the property of Mrs. Hickerton, whom the Duke married, before her death she married Mr. Maxwell, and they together with Lord Somers, converted it into a residence for the Duke, subject to the Committee of Privileges, which was then in session. It was sold to the Revd Colyer Earl of Portmore, whose descendants have now left it, and it stands in a most ruinous state (1816).

* worse white paper. They cull the raggs, which are linen, for white paper, wools for knowld; then they starr them in troughs to a papp with pestles or hammers like y^e powder-mills then put it into a vessell of water, in which they dip a frame closely wyred with wyre as small as a haire and as close as a weaver's reede; on this they take up the papp, the superfluous water draining thro' the wyre; this they dextrously turning, shake out like a pancake on a smooth board between 2 pieces of flannell, then presse it between a greate pressc, the flannell sucking out y^e moisture; then taking it out, they ply and dry it on strings, as they dry linnen in the laundry; then dip it in alum-water, lastly polish and make it up in quires. They put some gum in the water in which they macerate the raggs. The mark we find on the sheets is formed in the wyre.

25. After evening prayer visited Mr. Sheldon (nephew to the late Abp. of Canterbury) and his pretty melancholy garden; I tooke notice of the largest *arbor thuyris* I had ever seene. The place is finely water'd, and there are many curiosities of India, shewn in the house*. There was at Weybridge the Dutchesse of Norfolk, Lord Tho. Howard (a worthy and virtuous gentleman, with whom my sonn was some time bred up in Arundel House) who was newly come from Rome, where he had been some time; also one of the Duke's daughters by his first lady. My Lord leading me about the house made no scruple of shewing me all the hiding-places for the Popish priests, and where they said mass, for he was no bigotted Papist. He told me he never trusted them with any seacret, and us'd Protestants only in all busynesse of importance.

I went this evening with my Lord Duke to Windsor, where was a magnifick Court, it being the first time of his Ma^y removing thither since it was reper'd.

26. And I tooke leave of y^e Duke, and din'd at Mr. Hen. Brudenah's, at y^e Abby of Sheene, formerly a Monastery of Carthusians, there yet remaining one of their solitary cells with a crosse. Within this ample inclosure are several pretty villas and fine gardens

^{*}This was to be near Weybridge, but where?

of the most excellent writers, especially Sir W^m. Temple's (late Ambassador into Holland), and the Lord Lichfield, & the Earle of Leicester, who has divers rare pictures, above all, that of Sir Brian Tuke's by Holbein.

After dinner I walk'd to Ham, to see the house and garden of the Duke of Lauderdale, which is indeed inferior to few of the best villas in Italy itself, the house furnish'd like a greare Prince's; the portices, flower-gardens, orangeries, groves, avenues, courts, statuas, prospectives, fountaines, aviaries, and all this at the banks of the sweetest river in the world, must needs be admirable.

Hence I went to my worthy friend S^r Henry Capel [at Kew] brother to the Earle of Essex: it is an old timber houise, but his garden has the choicest fruit of any plantation in England, as he is the most industrious and understanding in it.

29. I was call'd to London to wait upon the D^r. of Norfolk, who having at my sole request bestow'd the Arundelian Library on the Royal Society, sent to me to take charge of the bookees and remove them, onely stipulating that I would suffer the Herald's chief officer, Sir W^m Dugdale, to have such of them as concern'd Heraldry and the Marshall's office, bookees of Armorie and Genealogies, the Duke being Earl Marshall of England. I procur'd for our Society, besides printed bookees, neare 100 MSS., some in Greeks of greate concerment. The printed bookees being of the oldest impressions are not the leesse valuable; I esteem them almost equall to MSS. Amongst them are most of the Fathers printed at Basil; before the Jessie abus'd them with their expurgatory Indexes; there is a noble MS. of Vitruvius. Many of these bookees had ben presented by Popes, Cardinals, and greate persons, to the Earls of Arundel and Dukes of Norfolk, and the late magnifificent Earl of Arundel bought a noble library in Germany, which is in this collection. I should not for the world, but the family, have persuad'd the Duke to part with those books, but somehow how negligent he was of them, suffering the poore old steward to carry away and dispose of what they would, so that a number of rare things are irrecoverably gone.

Matters taken order here. I went to the Royal Society to give them an account of what I had procur'd, that they might call a Council and appoint me to wait on the Duke to thank him for this munificent gift.

3 Sept. I went to London to dine with Mrs. Godolphin [formerly Mrs. Blount, who had been maid of honour to the Queen], and found her in labour; she was brought to bed of a sonn, who was baptiz'd in the chamber, by the name of Francis, y^e susceptors being S^r W^m. Godolphin (head of the family), Mr. Jn^o Hervey, Treass^r to the Queen, and Mrs. Boscawen, sister to S^r William and the father.

8. Whilst I was at church came a letter from Mr. Godolphin that my deare friend his lady was exceedingly ill, and desiring my prayers and assistance. My wife and I tooke boate immedately and went to White-hall, where, to my inexpressible sorrow, I found she had been attaey'd with the new fever, then reigning this excessive hot autumn, and which was so violent that it was not thought she could last many hours.

9. She died in the 26th yeare of her age, to the inexpressible affliction of her deare husband and all her relations, but of none in the world more than of myselfe, who lost the most excellent and inestimable friend that ever liv'd. Never was a more virtuous and inviolable friend-shyp; never a more religious, discreet and admirable creature, beloved of all, admires of all, for all possible perfections of her sex. She is gon to receive the reward of her signal charity, and all other her Christian graces, too blessed a creature to converse with mortals, fitted as she was by a most holy life to be received into the mansions above. She was too pitt, beauty, good-nature, fidelity, discretion, and all accomplishments, the most incomparable person. How shall I ever repay the obligementes to her for the infinite good offices she did my soule by so oft enrgaging me to make religion the termes and tie of the friendship there was between us. She was the best wife, the best mistress, the best friend that ever husband had. But it is not here that I pretend to give her character, having design'd to consecrate her worthy life to posterity.

Her husband, struck with unspeakable affliction, fell down as dead. The King himselfe and all the Court expressed their sorrow. To the

poore and miserable her losse was irreparable, for there was no degrees but had some obligation to her memorie! So carefull and provision made she to be prepared for all possible accidents, that (as if she lived to her end) she received the heavenly viaticum but the Sunday before, after a most solemn recollection. She put all her domestic concerne into y' exactest order; and left a letter directed to her husband, to be opened in case she died in child-bed, in which with the most pathetic and shewing expressions of a most loyal and virtuous wife, she begg his kindnesse to her memorie might be continu'd by his care and esteeme of those she left behind, even to her domestic servants, to the meanest of which she left considerable legacies, as well as to the poore. It was now seven yeares since she was maid of honor to y' Queene, that she regarded me as a father, a brother, and what is more, a friend. We often prayed, visited the sick and miserable, received, read, discoursed, and communicated in all holy offices together. She was most deare to my wife and affectionate to my children. But she is gon! This onely is my comfort that she is happy in Christ and I shall shortly behold her againe! She desir'd to be buried in the dormitorie of his family, neere 300 miles from all her other friends. So afflicted was her husband at this severe losse, that the intire care of her funerall was committed to me. Having closed the eyes and dropped a teare upon the cheeke of my deare departed friend, lovely even in death, I caused her corps to be embalmed and wrapped in lead, with a plate of brasae soldered theron, with an inscription, and other circumstances due to her worth, with as much diligence and care as my greived heart wold perunit me. I then retired home for two daies, which were spent in solitude and reflections.

17. She was accordingly carried to Godolphin in Cornwall in a hearse with six horses, attended by two coaches of us maids, with about 30 of her relations and servants. There accompanied the hearse her husband's brother S^r W^m, two more of his brothers, and three sisters; her husband was so overcome with grief, that he was wholly

* In the uppermost part of these rooms (now the library of the Bishop of Llandaff) (now called Godolphin) continued the steady friend to the poor, where an infant was born, now known as the Infant of Llanthony. The Infant now mentioned as born, carried on the friendship to the family, whose son & heir,

would travel so long a journey till he was more composed. I went back to Ilfracombe with a sad heart, but was obliged to return upon some indispensable affairs. The corpse was ordered to be taken out of the bier every night, and decently placed in y^e house, with tapers about it, and her servants attending, to Cornwall; and then was honorably interr'd in the parish church of Godolphin. This funeral cost not much less than £1,000.

With Mr. Godolphin I looked over and sorted his lady's papers, most of which consisted of Prayers, Meditations, Sermon-notes, Discourses, and Collections on several religious subjects, and many of her owne happy composing, and so pertinently digested, as if she had ben all her life a student in divinity. We found a diary of her solemn resolutions, all tending to practical virtue, with letters from select friends, all put into exact method. It astonish'd us to see what she had read and written, her youth considered.

1 Oct. The Parliament and the whole Nation were alarm'd about a conspiracy of some eminent Papists for y^e destruction of the King and introduction of Popery, discover'd by one Oates and Dr. Tongue*,

* George Tong, bred in University College, Oxford, being puritanically inclined, quitted the University, but in 1648 returned, and was made a Fellow. He had the living of Pluckley in Kent, but quitted it, being vexed by his parishioners and Quakers. In 1657 he was made Fellow of the new erected College at Durham, and that being dissolved in 1660, he taught school at Rington. He then went with Col. Edward Harley to Dunkirk, but that being given up, he took a small living in Shropshire (Lentwardine); but soon quitted it for St. Mary Styning in London, which, after the fire in 1666, was united to St. Michael, Wood Street, and he held them to his death, in 1680. He was a great opponent of the Papists. Wood mentions several publications of his, amongst which are, "The Jesuits unmasked," 1678; "Jesuitical Aphorisms," 1678; "The Jesuits' Morals," 1680 (1670); the two last translated from the French. Wood's Athen. Oxon. vol. II. p. 509.

Mr. Dryden speaks of Dr. Tong's having translated the last of these by his desire.

Some say that Thomas Whifbread, a priest, on 13 June, 1678, did tell the Rector of St. Omer's, that a minister of the Church of England had scandalously put out the "Jesuit's Morals" in English, and had encouraged to render them odious, and had asked the Rector whether he thought Oates might have said it; and the Rector called the deponent, who heard these words as he stood at the door, and, the wher' he went into the chamber of the Provincial, he asked him "If he knew the author of the Jesuit's Morals?" deponent answered, "His person, but not his name." Whifbread then demanded whether he would undertake to poison or assassinate the author; which he did undertake, having £500 reward promised him, and appointed to return to

which last I have had the pleasure of the Duke's company, and
I went to see and converse with him at Whitehall, where he was
one that was lately most opposite to the Abolition of Roman Catholickism,
torn'd againe with this discovery. He seem'd to be a bold man, and
in my thoughts furiously indiscreet; but every body believ'd what he
said; and it quite chang'd the genius and motions of the Parliament,
growing now corrupt and interested with long-sitting and great omni-
ties; but with all this Popery would not go downe. This discoverie
torn'd them all as one man against it, and nothing was done but to find
out the depth of this. Oates was encourage d, and every thing he
affirm'd taken for gospel;—the truth is, the Roman Catholicks were
exceeding bold and busy every where, since the Duke meant to go
any longer to the Chapell,

16 Oct. Mr. Godolphin requested me to continue the trust his wife had reposed in me in behalf of his little son, conjuring me to renew the friendship I had for his dear wife, on him and his.

21 Oct. The murder of S^r Edmund Godfrey, found strangl'd about this time, as was manifest by y^e Papists, he being a Justice of the Peace, and one who knew much of their practices, as convenient with Colman (a servant of the... now accus'd), put the whole nation into a new ferment against them.

31. Being now 58th of my age, required my humble addresses to Almighty God, and that he would take off his heavy hand, still on my family and restore comfort to us after the loss of my excellent friend,

5 May. Dr. Tillotson preach'd before y^e Commons at St. Margaret's. He and the Papists were now arr'd of their impudence as to deny that there ever was any such thing as the gunpowder conspiracy; but he affirm'd that he himself had severall letters written by Sir R^d Digby (one of the traitors), in w^t he was threaten'd to suffer for it; and that if we so neglect'd, that in the course of y^r we have two or three should have been drawn up, that would not be worth saying.

16. The Queen's birthday, however, was approaching, and as the
new canon in more appropriate dress, he had now to be
one State had now been formed.

Oates grew so presumptuous, as to accuse the Queene of intending to poison the King, which certainly that pious and vertuous lady abhor'd the thoughts of, and Oates his circumstances made it utterly unlikely in my opinion. He probably thought to gratifie some who would have ben glad his Maty should have married a fruitfull lady; but the King was too kind a husband to let any of these make impression on him. However divers of the Popish Peeres were sent to y^e Towre, accus'd by Oates, and all the Roman Catholic Lords were by a new act for ever excluded the Parliament, which was a mighty blow. The King's, Queen's, and Duke's servants, were banish'd, and a test to be taken by every body who pretended to enjoy any office of publiq trust, and who would not be suspected of Popery. I went with S^r W^m Godolphin, a member of the Commons House, to y^e Bp. of Ely (Dr. Pet. Gunning), to be resolv'd whether masses were idolatry, as the test express'd it, w^{ch} was so worded that several good Protestants scrupl'd, and S^r William, tho' a learned man and excellent divine himself, had some doubts about it. The Bishop's opinion was, that he might take it, tho' he wish'd it had ben otherwise worded in the test.

1679. 15 Jan. I went with my Lady Sunderland to Chelsey, and din'd with the Countesse of Bristol [her mother] in the greate house, formerly the Duke of Buckingham's, a spacious and excellent place for the extent of ground and situation in a good aire. The house is large, but ill contriv'd, tho' my Lord of Bristol, who purchas'd it after he sold Wimbledon to my Lord Treasurer, expended much mony on it. There were divers pictures of Titian and Vandyke, and some of Bassano, very excellent, especialy an *Adonis and Venus*, a *Duke of Venice*, a *Butcher in his shambles selling meate to a Swisse*; and of Van-Dyke, my *Lord of Bristol's* picture, with the *Earl of Bedford's* at length, in the same table. There was in the garden a rare collection of orange-trees, of which she was pleas'd to bestow some upon me.

16. I supp'd this night with Mr. Secretary at one Mr. Houlton's, a French merchant, who had his house furnish'd *en Prince*, and gave us a splendid entertainment.

25. The Long Parliament, which had sat ever since the Restoration, was dissolv'd by persuasion of the Lord Tress', tho' divers of

them were believ'd to be his pensioners. At this all the politicians were at a stand, they being very eager in pursuite of the late Plot of the Papists.

30. Dr. Cudworth preached before the King at White-hall, on 2 Timothy 3. 5. reckoning up the perils of ye last times, in which, amongst other wickednesse, Treasons should be one of the greatest, applying it to the occasion, as committed under a forme of reformation and godliness; concluding that the prophesy did intend more particularly the present age, as one of the last times; the sinns there enumerated, more abundantly reigning then ever.

2 Feb. Dr. Durell, Dean of Windsor, preach'd to the Household at White-hall, on 1 Cor. 16. 22; he read ye whole sermon out of his notes, which I had never before seenc a Frenchman do, he being of Jersey, and bred at Paris.

4. Dr. Pierce, Deane of Salisbury, preached on 1 John 4. 1, "Try the Spirits, there being so many delusorie ones gone forth of late into the world;" he inveied against the pernicious doctrines of Mr. Hobbes.

My brother Evelyn was now chosen Knight for ye County of Surrey, carrying it against my Lord Longford and S^r Adam Brown of Betchworth Castle. The country coming in to give him their suffrages were so many, that I believe they eat and dranke him out neere £.2,000, by a most abominable costome.

1 April. My friend Mr. Godolphin was now made one of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, and of the Privy Council.

4. The Bp. of Gloucester preach'd, in a manner very like Bishop Andrews, full of divisions, and scholastical, and that with much quicknesse. The holy Communion followed.

20. Easter Day. Our Vicar preached exceeding well on 1 Cor. 5 and 7. The holy Communion followed, at which I and my daughter Mary (now about 14 yeares old) received for the first time. The Lord Jesus continue his grace unto her, and improve this blessed beginning.

24. The Duke of York, voted against by the Commons for his recusancy, went over to Flanders, which made much discourse.

4 June. I din'd with Mr. Pepys in the Tower, he having ben committed by y^e House of Commons for misdemeanors in the Admiralty when he was Secretary; I believe he was unjustly charg'd*. Here I saluted my Lords Stafford and Petre, who were committed for the Popish Plot.

7. I saw the magnificent cavalcade and entry of the Portugal Ambassador.

17. I was godfather to a sonn of Sir Christ' Wren, Surveyor of his Mat^r buildings, that most excellent and learned person, with S^r William Fermor and my Lady Viscountesse Newport, wife of the Treasurer of the Household.

Thence to Chelsey, to S^r Stephen Fox, and my lady, in order to his purchase of the Cst of Bristol's house there, which she desir'd me to procure a chapman for.

19. I din'd at S^r Rob^t Clayton's with S^r Rob^t Viner, the greate banquer.

22. There were now divers Jesuites executed about the Piot, and a rebellion in Scotland of the Phanatics, so that there was a sad prospect of public affairs.

25. The new Commissioners of the Admiralty came to visite me, viz. S^r Hen. Capel, brother to the Earle of Essex, Mr. Finch, eldest son to the Lord Chancellor, Sir Humph. Winch, S^r Tho. Mecres, Mr. Hales, with some of y^e Commissioners of the Navy. I went with them to London.

1 July. I dined at S^r William Godolphin's, and with that learned gentleman went to take y^e aire in Hyde Park, where was a glorious cortege.

3 July. Sending a piece of venison to Mr. Pepys, still a prisoner, I went and din'd with him.

6. Now were there papers, speeches, and libels, publiqlly cried in the stretees against y^e Dukes of York and Lauderdale, &c. obnoxious

* Mr. Pepys was concerned in a contested election in 1684, and his opponent accused him of being a Papist, which the House of Commons inquired into, but without finding any proof. By Grey's Debates it appears that he was accused of having sent information to the French court of the state of the English Navy. Most incredible!

to the Parliament, with too much and indeed too shameful a liberty; but y^e people and Parliament had gotten heed by reason of the vices of the greate ones.

There was now brought up to London a child, son of one Mr. Wotton *, formerly amanuensis to Dr. Andrews, Bishop of Winton, who both read and perfectly understood Hebrew, Greek, Latin, Arabic, Syriac, and most of the modern languages; disputed in Divinity, Law, and all the Sciences; was skilful in History both Ecclesiastical and Profane; in Politics; in a word, so universally and solidly learned at 11 yeares of age, that he was looked on as a miracle. Dr. Lloyd, one of the most deepe learned divines of this nation in all sorts of literature, with Dr. Burnet, who had severely examin'd him, came away astonish'd, and told me they did not believe there had the like appear'd in

* The Rev. Henry Wotton, Minister of Wrentham, in Suffolk. This son was afterwards the celebrated Wm. Wotton, the friend and defender of Dr. Bentley, and the antagonist of Sir William Temple in the great Controversy about Antient and Modern Learning. His early and extraordinary profigiey in letters and general knowledge of every kind, was commemorated by his father in a pamphlet "On ye Education of Children," addressed to King Charles II, and reprinted in 1755, with the attestations of several learned men who had examined him, to the truth of his uncommon abilities and wonderful acquisitions in the different langunges, both antient and modern; yet it is remarkable those eminent qualifications did not advance him in the line of his profession beyond a Fellowship at Cambridge and a country parsonage, viz. Milton, in Buckinghamshire, which was given him by the Earl of Nottingham, to whom he had been Chaplin. Sir Philip Skippon, who lived at Wrentham in Suffolk, in a letter to Mr. John Ray, Sep. 18, 1671, writes: "I shall somewhat surprize you with what I have seen in a little boy, W^m. Wotton, 6 years old last month, son of Mr. Wotton, minister of this parish, who hath instructed his child within the last 3 q^ts of a year in the reading the Latin, Greek and Hebrew languages, w^{ch} he can read almost as well as English, and that tongue he could read at four years and three months old, as well as most lads of twice his age." Sir Philip left a draft of a longer letter to Mr. Ray, in which he adds, "He is not yet able to parse any language, but what he performs in turning the 3 learned tongues into English, is done by strength of memory, so that he is ready to whistle when some words of different signification have near the same sound. His father hath taught him by no rules, but only by his memory in remembering words."—He was admitted of Catharine Hall, Cambridge, April 1676, nine months before he was 10 years old. He took the degree of B. A. when only 12 years and 5 months old. Dr. Burnet, Bp. of Serram, recommended him to Dr. Lloyd, Bp. of St. Asaph, who took him as an assistant in making a Catalogue of the books, and carried him to St. Asaph, and gave him the signature of Abbot in Pugilatibus. He suffered from the satirical pen of Swift; but this is no wonder, as he had spoken of the Duke of York in a profane piece of ribaldry. He compiled Memoirs of the Cathedral Church of St. David and St. Asaph, which Browns Wills published. W^m died young, he never married, and left no children. No discourse he had heard, and reported to his Master, nor of much of memory. He died in 1695 aged 61, and was buried at Busted in Sussex.

the world. He had onely ben instructed by his father, who being himself a learned person, confess'd that his sonn knew all that he himselfe knew. But what was more admirable than his vast memory was his judgment and invention, he being tried with divers hard questions, which requir'd maturity of thought and experience. He was also dextrous in Chronology, Antiquities, Mathematics. In sum, an *Intellectus uniuersalis*, beyond all that we reade of Picus Mirandula, and other preoco witts, and yet withall a very humble child.

14. I went to see how things stood at Parson's Green, my lady Viscountesse Mordaunt (now sick in Paris, whither she went for health) having made me a trustee for her children, an office I could not refuse to this most excellent, pious, and virtuous lady, my long acquaintance.

15. I din'd with Mr. Sidney Godolphin, now one of the Lords Commiss'ry of y^e Treasury.

18. I went early to the Old Bailey Sessions-house, to the famous trial of Sir George Wakeman, one of the Queene's physitians, and three Benedictine Monks; the first (whom I was well acquainted with, and take to be a worthy gentleman abhorring such a fact) for intending to poison the King; the others, as accomplices to carry on the plot, to subvert the government and introduce Popery. The Bench was crowded with y^e Judges, Lord Major, Justices, and innumerable spectators. The cheife accusers, Dr. Oates (as he call'd himselfe), and one Bedlow, a man of inferior note. Their testimonys were not so pregnant, and I feare much of it from hearsay, but swearing positively to some particulars, which drew suspicion upon their truth; nor did circumstances so agree as to give either the Beach or Jury so entire satisfaction as was expected. After therefore a long and tedious tryal of 9 hours, the Jury brought them in not guilty, to the extraordinary triumph of the Papists, and without sufficient disadvantage and reflections on the witnesses, especially Oates and Bedlow. This was a happy day for the Lords in the Tower, who expecting their triall, had this gon against the prisoners at y^e bar, would all have ben in the utmost hazard. For my part, I looke on Oates as a vain insolent man, puff'd up with the favour of the Commons for having discover'd something realy true, more especially as detecting the dangerous intrigue of Coleman, prov'd out of his

owne letters, and of a generall designe which the Jesuit party of the Papists ever had, and still have, to ruine the Church of England; but that he was trusted with those greates seacrets he pretended, or had any solid ground for what he accus'd divers noblemen of. I have many reasons to induce my contrary belief. That among so many Commissions as he affirm'd to have deliver'd to them from P. Oliva* and the Pope, he who made no scruple of opening all other papers, letters, and seacrets, should not only not open any of those pretended Commissions, but not so much as take any copy or witnessse of any one of them, is almost miraculous. But the Commons (some leading persons I meane of them) had so exalted him, that they tooke all he said for gospell, and without more ado ruin'd all whom he nam'd to be conspirators; nor did he spare whoever came in his way. But indeede the murder of S^r Edm. Godfrey, suspected to have ben compass'd by the Jesuite party for his intimacy with Coleman (a buisy person whom I also knew) and the seare they had that he was able to have discover'd some things to their prejudice, did so exasperate not only the Commons but all the Nation, that much of these sharpnesses against the more honest Roman Catholics who liv'd peaceably, is to be imputed to that horrid fact.

The Sessions ended, I din'd, or rather supp'd (so late it was), with the Judges† in the large roome annex'd to y^e place, and so return'd home. Tho' it was not my costome or delight to be often present at any capital trials, we having them commonly so exactly publish'd by those who take them in short-hand, yet I was inclin'd to be at this signal one, that by the ocular view of the carriages and other circumstances of the managers and parties concerned, I might informe myself, and regulate my opinion of a cause that had so alarm'd y^e whole nation.

22 July. Din'd at Clapham at S^r D. Gauden's & went thence with him to Windsor, to assist him in a business with his M^r & M^r but that

* Padre Oliva, General of the Order of Jesuite.

† The Judges were, Lord Chief Justice North, Mr. Justice Mylles, Mr. Justice Wilmot, Mr. Justice Pemberton, Mr. Justice Dolben.

night at Eton College, the Provost's lodgings (Dr. Craddock), where I was courteously entertained.

23. To Court: after dinner I visited that excellent painter Verrio, whose works in fresca in the King's palace at Windsor will celebrate his name as long as those walls last. He shew'd us his pretty garden, choice flowers, and curiosities, he himselfe being a skilfull gardener.

I went to Clifden, that stupendous natural rock, wood, and prospect, of y^e Duke of Buckingham's*, buildings of extraordinary expence. The grotts in y^e chalky rock are pretty: 'tis a romantic object, and the place altogether answers the most poetical description that can be made of solitude, precipice, prospect, or whatever can contribute to a thing so very like their imaginations. The stande, somewhat like *Frascati* as to its front, and on y^e platform, is a circular view to y^e utmost verge of y^e horizon, which with the serpenting of the Thames is admirable. The stoire case is for its materials singular; the cloisters, descents, gardens, and avenae thro' the wood, august and stately, but the land all about wretchedly barren, and producing nothing but fern. Indeede, as I told his Ma^y that evening (asking me how I lik'd Clifden) without flattery, that it did not please me so well as Windsor for the prospect and park, which is without compare, there being but one only opening, and that narrow, which led one to any variety, wherers that of Windsor is every where greate and unconfin'd.

Returning I call'd at my cousin Evelyn's, who has a very pretty seat in the forest, 2 miles behither Clifden, on a flat, with gardens exquisitely kept, tho' large, and the house a stanch good old building, and what was singulur, some of the roomes floor'd dove-tail-wise without a nail, exactly close. One of the closetts is parquetted with plaine deale, set in diamond, exceeding stanch and pretty.

7 Aug. Dined at the Sheriffs, when, the Company of Drapers and their wives being invited, there was a sumptuous entertainment ac-

Clifden's proud alcove,

The bower of wanton Shrewsbury and Love. Popc.

The Countess of Shrewsbury, whose husband having challenged the Duke, she is said to have held the horse of the latter in the habit of a page whilst they fought.

cording to the formes of the City with musiq, &c; comparable to any Prince's service in Europ.

8. I went this morning to shew my Lord Chamberlaine, his Lady, and the Dutchesse of Grafton, the incomparable work of Mr. Gibbons the carver, whom I first recommended to his Ma^v; his house being furnish'd like a cabinet, not only with his owne work, but divers excellent paintings of y^e best hands. Thence to Sir Stephen Foxe, where we spent the day.

31. After evening service to see a neighbour, one Mr. Babun, related to my sonn's late tutor of that name, a rich Spanish merchant, living in a neat place, which he has adorned with many curiosities, especialy severall carvings of Mr. Gibbons, and some pictures by Streeter.

13 Sept. To Windsor, to congratulate his Ma^v on his recovery; I kiss'd the Duke's hand now lately return'd from Flanders to visite his brother the King, on which there were various bold and foolish discourses, the Duke of Monmouth being sent away.

19. My Lord Sunderland, one of the principal Secretaries of State, invited me to dinner, where was the King's natural sonn, the Earle of Plymouth, the Earle of Shrewsbury, E. of Essex, E. of Mulgrave, Mr. Hyde, and Mr. Godolphin. After dinner I went to prayers at Eton, and visited Mr. Hen. Godolphin, fellow there, and Dr. Cradock.

25. Mr. Slingsby and Sign. Verrio came to dine with me, to whom I gave China oranges off my owne trees, as good, I think, as were ever eaten.

6 Oct. A very wet and sickly season.

23. Dined at my L^d Chamberlaines, the King being now newly returned from his New-market recreations.

4 Nov. Din'd at the Lord Maior's, and in the evening went to y^e funerall of my pious, dear, and ancient learned friend, Dr. Jasper Needham, who was buried at St. Bride's Church. He was a true and holy Christian, and one who lov'd me with grete affection. Dr. Dove preach'd with an eulogie due to his memory. I met in this person one of my dearest remaining sincere friends.

5. I was invited to dine at my Lord Tividale's, a Scotch Earle, a learned and knowing nobleman. We afterwards went to see Mr. Mountague's new palace neers Bloomsbery, built by our curator Mr. Hooke, somewhat after the French; it was most nobly furnish'd, and a fine, but too much expos'd garden*.

6. Dinn'd at the Countesse of Sunderland's, and was this evening at the re-marriage† of the Dutchesse of Grafton to the Duke (his Ma-jesty's natural sonn) she being now 12 years old. The ceremonie was perform'd in my Lord Chamberlaines (her fathers) lodgings at White-hall by y^e Bishop of Rochester, his Ma^w being present. A sudden and unexpected thing, when every body believ'd the first marriage would have come to nothing; but the measure being determin'd I was privately invited by my Lady, her mother, to be present. I confess I could give her little joy, and so I plainly told her, but she said the King would have it so, and there was no going back. This sweetest, hopefulllest, most beautifull child, and most vertuous too, was sacrific'd to a hoy that had ben rudely bred, without any thing to encourage them but his Ma^w's pleasure. I pray God the sweete child find it to her advantage, who, if my augury deceive me not, will in few years be such a paragon as were fit to make the wife of the greatest Prince in Europe. I staid supper, where his Ma^w sate betweene the Dutchesse of Cleaveland (the mother of y^e Duke of Grafton) and the sweete Dutchesse the bride; there were several greate persons and ladies, without pomp. My love to my Lord Arlington's family and the sweete child made me behold all this with regret, tho' as the Duke of Grafton affects the sea, to which I find his father intends to use him, he may emerge a plaine, usefull, and robust officer, and were he polish'd, a tolerable person, for he is exceeding handsoine, by far surpassing any of the King's other naturall issue.

8 Nov. At Sir Stephen Fox's, and was agreeing for the Countesse of Bristol's house at Chelsey within £500.

18. I din'd at my Lord Maiors [Sir Rob^t Clayton] being desir'd by the Countesse of Sunderland to carry her thither on a solemn day, that

* This is now the British Museum. See under the year 1693, Oct.

† See p. 456.

she might see the pomp and ceremony of this Prince of Citizens, there never having ben any, who, for y^e stateliness of his palace, prodigious feasting, and magnificence, exceeded him. This Lord Mayor's acquaintance had ben from the time of his being apprentice to one Mr. Abbot, his uncle *, who being a scrivener, and an honest worthy man, one who was condemn'd to die at the beginning of the troubles 40 years past, as concern'd in the commission of array for K. Charles I. had escap'd with his life; I often us'd his assistance in money matters. Rob' Clayton, then a boy, his nephew, became after his uncle Abbot's death, so prodigiously rich and opulent, that he was reckon'd one of the wealthiest citizens. He married a free-hearted woman, who became his hospitable disposition, and having no children, with the accession of his partner and fellow apprentice †, who also left him his estate, he grew excessively rich. He was a discrete magistrate, and tho' envied, I think without much cause. Some believ'd him guilty of hard dealing, especiaaly with the Duke of Buckingham, much of whose estate he had swallow'd, but I never saw any ill by him, considering the trade he was of. The reputation and known integrity of his uncle Abbot brought all the royal party to him, by which he got not onely greate credit, but vast wealth, so as he pass'd this office with infinite magnificence and honor.

20 Nov. I din'd with Mr. Slingsby, Master of the Mint, with my wife, invited to heare music, which was exquisitely perform'd by foure of the most renownd masters; Du Prue, a Frenchman, on y^e lute; Sign^r Bartholomeo, an Italian, on the harpeichord; Nicolaus on the violin; but above all for its sweetnesse and novelty, the viol d'amore of 5 wyre-strings plaid on with a bow, being but an ordinary violin, play'd on lyre way by a German. There was also a flute douce, now in much request for accompanying the voice. Mr. Slingsby, whose sonn and daughter play'd skilfullly, had these meetings frequently in his house.

21. I din'd at my Lord Mayor's to accompany my worthiest and general friend the Earl of Oxford; it was on a Friday, a private day,

but the feast and entertainment might have become a King. Such an hospitable costume and splendid magistrature dos no city in the world shew, as I believe.

23. Dr. Allestree preach'd before the household on 11 St. Luke 2. Dr. Lloyd on 28 Matt. 20, before the King, shewing with how little reason the Papists applied those words of our Blessed Saviour to maintaine the pretended infallibility they boast of. I never heard a more Christian and excellent discourse: yet were some offended that he seem'd to say the Church of Rome was a true Church; but 'twas a captious mistake, for he never affirmed any thing that could be more to their reproach, and that such was the present Church of Rome, showing how much it had err'd. There was not in this sermon so much as a shadow for censure, no person of all the Clergy having testified greater zeale against the errors of the Papists than this pious and most learned person. I dined at the Bishop of Rochester's, and then went to St. Paul's to heare that greate wit Dr. Sprat, now newly succeeding Dr. Outram in the cure of St. Margaret's. His talent was a great memory, never making use of notes, a readinesse of expression in a most pure and plain style of words, full of matter, easily deliver'd.

26 Nov. I met the Earle of Clarendon with the rest of my fellow executors of y^e Will of my late Lady Vis^c Mordaunt, viz. Mr. Laurence Hyde, one of y^e Commiss^rs of the Treasury, and lately Plenipotentiary Ambassador at Nimeguen; Andrew Newport, and S^r Charles Wheeler, to examine and audit and dispose of this year's accompt of the estate of this excellent Lady, according to the direction of her will.

27. I went to see Sir John Stonehouse, with whom I was treating a marriage between my sonn and his daughter-in-law.

28. Came over the Duke of Monmouth from Holland unexpectedly to his Ma^r, whilst the Duke of York was on his journey to Scotland, whither the King sent him to reside and governe. The bells and bonfires of the City at this arrival of the Duke of Monmouth publishing their joy, to the no small regret of some at Court. This Duke, whom for distinction they call'd the Protestant Duke (tho' the sonn of an abandon'd woman), y^e people made their idol.

4 Dec. I din'd, together with Lord Orrerie and the H^r of Chesterfield, at the Portugal Ambass^t, now newly come, at Cleaveland House, a noble palace, too good for that infamous The staires-case is sumptuous, and the gallerie and garden, but above all y^e costly furniture belonging to the Ambassador, especially the rich Japan cabinets, of which I think there were a dozen. There was a billiard-table, with as many more hazards as ours commonly have; the game being only to prosecute y^e ball till hazarded, without passing the port or touching the pin; if one miss hitting the ball every time, the game is lost, or if hazarded. Tis more difficult to hazard a ball, tho' so many, than in our table, by reason the bound is made so exactly even, and the edges not stuff'd; the balls also are bigger, and they for the most part use the sharp and small end of y^e billiard stick, which is shod with brasse or silver. The entertainment was exceeding civil, but besides a good olio, the dishes were trifling, hash'd and condited after their way, not at all fit for an English stomach, which is for solid meate. There was yet good fowle, but roasted to coale, nor were the sweetemeates good.

30 Dec. I went to meeke S^r John Stonehouse, and give him a particular of the settlement on my sonn, who now made his addresses to the young lady his daughter-in-law, daughter of Lady Stonehouse.

1680. 25 Jan. Dr. Cave, author of "Primitive Christianity," &c. a pious and learned man, preached at White-hall to the household on 3 James 17, concerning the duty of grace and charity.

30. I supped with Sir Stephen Fox, now made one of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

19 Feb. The writings for the settling jointure and other contracts of marriage of my sonn were finished and sealed. The lady was to bring 5000*l*. in consideration of a settlement of 500*l*. a year present maintenance, which was likewise to be her jointure, and 500*l*. a year after myne and my wife's decease. But with God's blessing it will be at the least 1000*l*. a year more in few years. I pray God make him worthy of it, and a comfort to his excellent mother, who deserves much from him.

21. Shrove Tuesday this year was married to Mrs. Martha Spencer, daughter to my selfe Stonehouse by a former gentleman, at St.

Andrew's Holborn; by our Vicar, borrowing the Church of Dr. Stillingfleet, Deane of St. Paul's, the present incumbent. We afterwards din'd at a house in Holborn; and after the solemnity and dauncing was don, they were bedded at S^t John Stonehouse's lodging in Bow-streete, Covent Garden.

26. To the R. Society, where I met an Irish Bishop with his Lady, who was daughter to my worthy and pious friend Dr. Jeremy Taylor, late Bp. of Downe and Connor; they came to see the Repository. She seemed to be a knowing woman, beyond the ordinary talent of her sex.

3 March. I din'd at my Lord Mayor's in order to the meeting my Lady Beckford, whose daughter (a rich heiress) I had recommended to my brother of Wotton for his only soun, she being the daughter of the lady by Mr. Ersfield [Eversfield], a Sussex gentleman.

16. To London, to receive 3000*l.* of my daughter in law's portion, which was paid in gold.

26. The Dean of Sarum preach'd on Jerem. 45, 5, an hour and halfe from his common-place book of kings and greate men retiring to private situations. Scarce any thing of Scripture in it.

18 April. On the earnest invitation of the Earle of Essex I went with him to his house at Cashioberie in Hartford-shire. It was on Sunday, but going early from his house in the square of St. James, we arriv'd by ten o'clock; this he thought too late to go to church, and we had prayers in his chapell. The house is new, a plaine fabric, built by my friend Mr. Hugh May. There are divers faire and good roome, and excellent carving by Gibbons, especiaaly the chimney-piece of y^e Library. There is in the porch or entrance a painting by Verrio, of Apollo and the Liberal Arts. One roome parquett'd with yew, which I lik'd well. Some of the chimney mantles are of Irish marble, brought by my Lord from Ireland when he was Lord Lieutenant, and not much inferior to Italian. The tympanum or gabal at the front is a bass-relieve of Diana hunting, cut in Portland stone, handsomely enougth. I did not approve of the middle dores being round, but when the Hall is finish'd as design'd, it being an oval with a cupola, together with the other wing^s it will be a very noble palace. The library is large, and very nobly furnish'd, and all the books are richly bound

and gilded; but there are no MSS. except the Parliament Books and Journals, the transcribing and binding of w^{ch} cost him, as he assured me, 500*l.*

No man has been more industrious than this noble Lord in planting about his seat, adorn'd with walkes, ponds, and other rural elegancies; but the soile is stony, churlish, and uneven, nor is the water neere enough to the house, tho' a very swift and cleare streame ran within a flight shot from it in the vally, which may fitly be call'd Cold-brook, it being indeede excessive cold, yet producing fair troutes. Tis pitty the house was not situated to more advantage, but it seems it was built just where the old one was, which I believe he onely meant to repair; this leads men into irremediable errors, and saves but a little.

The land about it is exceedingly addicted to wood, but the coldnesse of the place binders the growth. Black cherry-trees prosper even to considerable timber, some being 80 foote long; they make also very handsome avenues. There is a pretty oval at the end of a faire walke, set about with treble rows of Spanish chesnut trees.

The gardens are very rare, and cannot be otherwise, having so skillful an artist to govern them as Mr. Cooke, who is, as to y^e mechanic part, not ignorant in Mathematics, and pretends to Astrologie. There is an excellent collection of the choicest fruit.

As for my Lord, he is a sober, wise, judicious, and pondering person, not illiterate beyond the rate of most noblemen in this age, very well vers'd in English historic and affaires, industrious, frugal, methodical, and every way accomplish'd. His Lady (being sister of the late Earle of Northumberland) is a wise, yet somewhat melancholy woman, setting her heart too much on the little lady her daughter, of whom she is over fond. They have an hopeful son at y^e Academie.

My Lord was not long since come from his Lord Lieutenantcy of Ireland, where he shew'd his abilities in administration and government, as well as prudence in considerably augmenting his estate without reproach. He had been Extraordinary in Chancery, and, in a word, such a person as became the name of that worthy Man his father to be, the late Lord Capel, who lost his life for King Charles I. We spent our time in the mornings in walking or riding, and con-

trivings [Alterations]. and the afternoones in the Library, so as I pass'd my time for 3 or 4 daies with much satisfaction. He was pleas'd in conversation to impart to me divers particulars of state, relating to the present times. He being no great friend to the D—— was now laid aside his integritie and abilities being not so suiteable in this conjuncture.

21. I returned to London.

30 April. To a meeting of the executors of late Vice^{**} Mordaunt's estate, to consider of the sale of Parsons Greene, being in treaty with Mr. Loftus, and to settle the halfe year's account.

1 May. Was a meeting of the feoffees of the poore of our parish. This yeare I would stand one of the collectors of their rents, to give example to others. My sonn was added to the feoffees.

This afternoone came to visit me S^r Edw. Deering of Surrendon in Kent, one of the Lords of the Treasury, with his daughter, married to my worthy friend S^r Robert Southwell, Clerk of the Council, now Extraordinary Envoye to the Duke of Brandenburgh, and other Princes in Germanie, as before he had ben in Portugal, being a sober, wise, and virtuous gentleman.

13. I was at the funeral of old Mr. Shish, master shipwright of his Maj^y Yard here, an honest and remarkable man, and his death a public losse, for his excellent successe in building ships (tho' altogether illiterate), and for breeding up so many of his children to be able artists. I held up the pall with three knights, who did him that honour, and he was worthy of it. It was the costome of this good man to rise in the night, and to pray kneeling in his owne coffin, wh^ere he had lying by him many years. He was borne that famous yeare the Gunpowder plot.

14 June. Came to dine with us the Countesse of Clarendon, Dr. Lloyd, Deans of Bangor, (since Bp. of St. Asaph,) Dr. Burnett, author of the History of the Reformation, and my old friend Mr. Henshaw. After dinner we all went to see the Observatory and Mr. Flamsteed, who show'd us divers rare instruments, especially the greate quadrant.

24 June. Went with my wife and daughter to Windsor, to see that nobly Court, now neare finish'd. There was erected in the Court the

King on horseback, lately cast in copper, and set on a rich pedestal of white marble, the worke of Mr. Gibbons, at the expence of Toby Rustate, a page^{*} of the back staires, who by his wonderful frugality had arriv'd to a greate estate in mony, and did many works of charity, as well as this of gratitude to his Master, w^{ch} cost him 1000l. He is a very simple, ignorant, but honest and loyal creature.

We all din'd at the Countesse of Sunderland's, afterwards to see Sign^r Verrio's garden, thence to Eton College to salute the Provost, and heard a Latine speech of one of the Akamsi (it being at the election), and were invited to supper, but took our leave, and got to London that night in good time.

26. My most noble and illustrious friend, the Earle of Ossorie, espying me this morning after sermon in the privy gallery, calling to me, told me he was now going his journey (meaning to Tangier, whither he was designed Governor and General of the Forces, to regaine the losses we had lately sustain'd from the Moors, when Inchequeen was Governor). I ask'd if he would not call at my house (as he always did whenever he went out of England on any exploit); he said he must embark at Portsmouth, "wherefore let you and I dine together to-day, I am quite alone, and have something to impart to you; I am not well, shall be private, and desire your company." Being retir'd to his lodgings, and set down on a couch, he sent to his secretary for the copy of a letter w^{ch} he had written to Lord Sunderland (Secretary of State), wishing me to reade it; it was to take notice how ill he resented it that he shoud tell the King before Lord Ossorie's face, that Tangier was not to be kept, but would certainly be lost, and yet added that twas fit Lord Ossorie should be sent (that they might give some account of it to the world, meaning (as suppose'd) the next Parliament, when all such miscarriages would probably be examin'd; this Lord Ossorie took very ill of Lord Sunderland, and not kindly of the King, who resolving to send him with an incompetent force, sent him, as his Lordship took it, to be willing to cast him away, not only on a hazardous adventure, but in

* Mr. Tobias Rustate. He was a great benefactor to Eton College, Cambridge, &c. &c. by an endowment of scholarships there for the benefit of those students, originally of Cheshire.

most men's opinion an impossibility, seeing there was not to be above 3 or 400 horse and 4000 foote for the garrison and all, both to defend y^e towne, forme a camp, repulse the enemy, and fortifie what ground they should get in. This touch'd my Lord deeply, that he should be so little consider'd as to put him on a businesse in which he shold probably not only loose his reputation, but be charg'd with all the miscarriages and ill successe; whereas at first they promis'd 6000 foote and 600 horse effective. My Lord being an exceeding brave and valiant person, and who had so approv'd himself in divers signal batailes, both at sea and land; so belov'd, and so esteem'd by y^e people, as one they depended upon all occasions worthy of such a captain; he looked on this as too greate an indifference in his Ma^y after all his services, and the merits of his father the Duke of Ormond, and a designe of some who envied his virtue. It certainly tooke so deepe roote in his mind, that he who was the most void of feare in the world (and assur'd me he would go to Tangier with 10 men if his Ma^y commanded him) could not bear up against this unkindness. Having disburden'd himselfe of this to me after dinner, he went with his Ma^y to the Sheriffs at a greate supper in Fishmongers Hall, but finding himselfe ill, tooke his leave immediately of his Ma^y, and came back to his lodging. Not resting well this night; he was persuaded to remove to Arlington House for better accommodation. His disorder turn'd to a malignant sever, w^{ch} increasing after all that six of the most able physicians could do, he became delirious, with intervals of sense, during which Dr. Lloyd (after Bp. of St. Asaph) administer'd the holy sacrament, of which I also participated. He died the Friday following, the 30 July, to the universal grieve of all that knew or heard of his greate worth, nor had any a greater losse than myselfe. Oft would he say I was the oldest acquaintance he had in England (when his Father was in Ireland), it being now of above 30 yeares, contracted abroad, when he rid in the Academie in Paris, and when we were seldom asunder. His Ma^y never lost a worthier subject, nor father a better or more dutifull son; a loving, generous, good-natur'd, and perfectly obliging friend; one who had done innumerable kindnesses to severall before they knew it; nor did he ever advance any that were not worthy; no one more

brave, more modest: none more humble, sober, and every way virtuous. Unhappy England in this illustrious person's loss! Universal was the mourning for him and the eulogies on him; I staid night and day by his bed-side to his last gasp, to close his deare eyes! O good father, mother, wife, and children! What shall I add! he deserve'd all that a sincere friend, a brave souldier, a virtuous courtier, a loyal subject, an honest man, a bountifull master, and good Christian could deserve of his Prince and Country. One thing more let me note, that he often express'd to me the abhorrence he had of that base and unworthy action which he was put upon, of engaging the Smyrna fleet, in time of peace, in which tho' he behav'd himselfe like a greate captaine, yet he told me it was the onely blot in his life, and troubled him exceedingly. Tho' he was commanded, and never examin'd further when he was so, yet he always spake of it with regret and detestation. The Countesse was at the seate of her daughter, the Countesse of Derby, almost 200 miles off.

30 Aug^t. I went to visite a French gent^l, one Mons^r Chardine, who having ben thrice in the East Indies, Persia, and other remote countries, came hither in our returne ships from those parts, and it being reported that he was a very curious and knowing man, I was desir'd by the R. Society to salute him in their name, and to invite him to honour them with his company. S^r Jo. Hoskins and S^r Chrit^r Wren accompanied me. We found him at his lodgings in his Eastern habit, a very handsome person, extremely affable, a modest, well-bred man, not inclin'd to talke wonders. He spake Latine, and understood Greeke, Arabic, and Persian, from 11 years travells in those parts, whither he went in search of jwellis, and was become very rich. He seem'd about 36 years of age. After the usual civilities we ask'd some account of y^e extraordinary things he must have seen in travelling over land to those places wheres few, if any, Northern Europeans us'd to go, as the Black and Caspian Sea, Mingrelia, Bagdat, Nineveh, Persepolis, &c. He told us that the things most worthy of our sight would be, the draughts he had caug'd to be made of some noble ruines, &c. for that, besides his own little talent that way, he had carried two good painters with him, to draw landscapes, measure and design the remains of the

palace w^{ch} Alexander burnt in his frolic at Persepolis, with divers temples, columns, reliefos, and statues, yet extant, w^{ch} he affirm'd to be sculpture far exceeding any thing he had observ'd either at Rome, in Greece, or in any other part of y^e world where magnificence was in estimation. He said there was an inscription in letters not intelligible, though entire. He was sorry he could not gratify the curiosity of the Society at present, his things not being yet out of the ship, but would wait on them with them on his returne from Paris, whither he was going the next day, but with intention to returne suddenly, and stay longer here the persecution in France not suffering Protestants, and he was one, to be quiet. He told us that Nineveh was a vast city, now all buried in her ruines, the inhabitants building on y^e subterranean vaults, which were, as appear'd, the first stories of the old Cittie; that there were frequently found huge vasas of fine earth, columns, and other antiquities; that the straw which the Egyptians requir'd of y^e Israelites, was not to burne, or cover the rowes of bricks as we use, but being chopp'd small to mingle with the clay, which being dried in the sun (for they bake not in the furnaces) would else cleave asunder; that in Persia are yet a race of Igniculi who worship the sun and the fire as Gods; that y^e women of Georgia and Mingrelia were universaly, and without any compare, the most beautifull creatures for shape, features, and figure, in the world, and therefore the Grand Seignior and Bashaws had had from thence most of their wives and concubines; that there had, within these hundred yeares been Amazons amongst them, that is to say, a sort or race of valiant women, given to warr; that Persia was extremely fertile; he spoke also of Japan and China, and of the many greate errors of one late geographers, as we suggested matter for discourse. We then took our leaves, failing of seeing his papers, but it was told us by others that indeede he durst not open or shew them till he had first shewed them to the French King, but of this he himselfe said nothing.

2 Sept. I had an opportunity, his Ma^y being still at Windsor, of seeing his private library at White-hall, at my full ease. I went with expectation of finding some curiosities, but though there were about 1000 volumes, there were few of importance which I had not perus'd before. They consisted chiefly of such books as had from time to time

ben dedicated or presented to him; a few Histories, some Travels and French booke, abundance of mapps and sea charts, entertainments and pomps, buildings and pieces relating to the navy, some mathematical instruments; but what was most rare were 3. or 4. Romish breviaries, with a great deal of miniature and monkish painting and gilding, one of which is most exquisitely done, both as to the figures, grotesques, and compartments, to the utmost of that curious art. There is another in which I find written by the hand of K. Hen. VII. his giving it to his deare daughter Margaret, afterwards Queene of Scots, in w^{ch} he desires her to pray for his soule, subscribing his name at length. There is also y^e processe of the philosophers great elixer, represented in divers pieces of excellent miniature, but the discourse is in High Dutch, a MS. There is another MS. in 4to, of above 300 yeares old in French, being an institution of physic, and in the botanical part the plants are curiously painted in miniature: also a folio MS. of good thicknesse, being the severall exercises, as Theames, Orations, Translations, &c. of K. Edward VI. all written and subscrib'd by his owne hand; and with his name very legible, and divers of the Greeke interleav'd and corrected after the manner of schole boys exercises, and that exceedingly well and proper, with some epistles to his preceptor, which shew that young Prince to have ben extraordinarily advanc'd in learning, and as Cardan, who had ben in England affirm'd, stupendiously knowing for his age. There is likewise his Journal*, no lesse testifying his early ripeness and care about the affaires of state.

There are besides many pompous volumes, some emboss'd with gold, and intaglias on achats, medailes, &c. I spent 3. or 4. intire daies, lock'd up and alone, among these booke and curiosities. In the rest of the private lodgings contiguous to this, are divers of the best pictures of the greate masters, Raphael, Titian, &c. and, in my esteeme, above all, the *Noli me tangere* of our blessed Saviour to Mary Magdalene after his Resurrection, of Hans Holbein, than which I never saw so much reverence and kind of heavenly astonishment express'd in a picture.

* A note is added, that Dr. Burnet has transcribed many passages out of this in his History of the Reformation.

There are also divers curious clocks, watches, and pendules of exquisite work, and other curiosities. An ancient woman, who made these lodgings cleane, and had all y^e keys, let me in at pleasure for a small reward, by meanes of a friend.

6 Sept. I din'd with Sir Stephen Fox, now one of y^e Lords Commissioners of y^e Treasury. This gentleman came first a poore boy from the quire of Salisbury, then was taken notice of by Bp. Duppa, and afterwards waited on my Lord Percy (brother to Algernon E. of Northumberland), who procur'd for him an inferior place amongst the Clerks of the Kitchen and Greene Cloth side, where he was found so humble, diligent, industrious, and prudent in his behaviour, that his Ma^y being in exile, and Mr. Fox waiting, both the King and Lords about him frequently employ'd him about their affaires; trusted him both with receiving and paying the little mony they had. Returning with his Ma^y to England, after greate wants and greate sufferings, his Ma^y found him so honest and industrious, and withall so capable and ready, that being advanc'd from Clerk of y^e Kitchen to that of y^e Greene Cloth, he procur'd to be Paymaster to the whole Army, and by his dexterity and punctual dealing he obtain'd such credit among the banquers, that he was in a short time able to borrow vast sums of them upon any exigence. The continual turning thus of mony, and the souldiers moderate allowance to him for his keeping touch with them, did so enrich him, that he is believ'd to be worth at least 200,000/. honestly gotten and unenvied, which is next to a miracle. With all this he continues as humble and ready to do a courtesie as ever he was. He is generous, and lives very honorably, of a sweete nature, well spoken, well bred, and is so highly in his Ma^y esteeme, and so usefull, that being long since made a knight, he is also advanc'd to be one of y^e Lords Commiss^r of y^e Treasurie, and has y^e reversion of the Cofferer's place after Harry Brouncker. He has married his eldest daughter to my Lord Cornwallis, and gave her 12,000 pounds, and restor'd that intangl'd family besides. He match'd his eldest son to Mrs. Trollop, who brings with her (besides a greate sum) neere, if not altogether 2000L per ann. S^r Stephen's Lady (an excellent wouman) is sister to Mr. Whittle, one of the King's chirurgeons. In a word, never was

man more fortunate than Sir Stephen; he is an handsome person, virtuous, and very religious.

23 Sept. Came to my house some German strangers and Sig^r. Pietro a famous musician, who had ben long in Sweden in Queen Christina's Court; he sung admirably to a guitar, and had a perfect good tenor and base, and had set to Italian composure many of Abraham Cowley's pieces, which shew'd extremely well. He told me that in Sweden the heate in some part of summer was as excessive as y^e cold in winter; so cold, he affirm'd, that the streets of all the townes are desolate, no creatures stirring in them for many moneths; all the inhabitants retiring to their stoves. He spake high things of that romantic Queen's learning and skill in languages, the majestie of her behaviour, her exceeding wit, and that the histories she had read of other countries, especially of Italy and Rome, had made her despise her owne. That the real occasion of her resigning her Crowne was the Noblemen's importuning her to marrie, and the promise which the Pope had made her of procuring her to be Queene of Naples, which also caus'd her to change her religion; but she was cheated by his crafty Holiness*, working ou her ambition; that the reason of her killing her Secretary at Fontaine Beleauet† was his revealing that intrigue with the Pope. But after all this I rather believe it was her mad prodigality and extreme vanity, which had consum'd those vast treasures the greate Adolphus, her father, had brought out of Germany during his [campaigns] there and wonderfull successes; and that if she had not voluntarily resign'd, as foreseeing the event, the Estates of her Kingdom would have compell'd her to do so.

30 Oct. I went to London to be private, my birthday being y^e next day, and I now arriv'd at my sixtieth year, on which I began a more solemn survey of my whole life, in order to the making and confirming my peace with God, by an accurate scrutinie of all my actions past, as far as I was able to call them to mind. How difficult and uncertaine, yet how necessary a work! The Lord be mercifull to me, and accept

* Pope Alexander VII. of the family of Chigi of Stomfa.

† So called and written at that time.

me! Who can tell how oft he offendeth? Teach me therefore so to number my daies that I may apply my heart to wisdom, and make my calling and election sure. Amen, Lord Jesus!

31. I spent this whole day in exercises. A stranger preach'd at White-hall on 16 Luke 30, 31*. I then went to St. Martin's, where y^e Ep. of St. Asaph preach'd on 1 Peter 3, 15; y^e holy communion follow'd, at which I participated, humbly imploring God's assistance in the greate worke I was entering into. In y^e afternoone I heard Dr. Sprat at St. Margaret's on 17 Acts 11.

I began and spent the whole weeke in examining my life, begging pardon for my faults, assistance and blessing for the future, that I might in some sort be prepar'd for the time that now drew neare, and not have the greate work to begin when one can worke no longer. The Lord Jesus help and assist me! I therefore stirr'd little abroad till the 5 Nov^r, when I heard Dr. Tenison, the now Vicar of St. Martin's; Dr. Lloyd, the former incumbent, being made Bishop of St. Asaph.

7. I participated of y^e blessed Comunion, finishing and confirming my resolutions of giving myself up more intirely to God, to whom I had now most solemnly devoted the rest of my poore remainder of life in this world; the Lord enabling me, who am an unprofitable servant, a miserable sinner, yet depending on his infinite goodnesse and mercy, accepting my endeavours.

15. Came to dine with us Sir Richard Anderson, his lady, sonn, and wife, sister to my daughter in law.

30 Nov. The anniversary election at the Royall Society, brought me to London, where was chosen President that excellent person and greate philosopher Mr. Robert Boyle, who indeede ought to have ben the very first; but neither his infirmitie nor his modestie could now any longer excuse him. I desired I might for this yeare be left out of the Council, by reason my dwelling was in the country. The Society according to custome dined together.

This signal day began the trial (at which I was present) of my Lord Viscount Stafford, for conspiring the death of the King; second sonn

* This was probably to the King's household early in the morning.

to my Lord Thomas Howard Earle of Arundel and Surry, Earle Marshall of England and grandfather to the present Duke of Norfolk, whom I so well knew, and from which excellent person I received so many favours. It was likewise his birth-day. The trial was in Westminster Hall, before the King, Lords, and Commons, just in the same manner as 40 yeares past, the greate and wise Earle of Strafford (there being but one letter differing their names) receiv'd his trial for pretended ill government in Ireland, in the very same place, this Lord Stafford's father being then High Steward. The place of sitting was now exalted some considerable heighth from the paved floore of the Hall, with a stage of boards. The throne, woolpacks for the Judges, long formes for the Peeres, chaire for the Lord Steward, exactly ranged, as in the House of Lords. The sides on both hands scaffolded to the very roofoe for the Members of the House of Commons. At the upper end and on the right side of the King's state, was a box for his Ma^y, and on the left others for the greate ladyes, and over heade a gallerie for Ambass^{es} and public Ministers. At the lower end or entrance was a barr, and place for y^e prisoner, the Lieut^t of the Tower of London, the axe-bearer and guards, my Lord Stafford's two daughters, the Marchionesse of Winchester being one; there was likewise a box for my Lord to retire into. At the right hand, in another box, somewhat higher, stood the Witnesses; at the left the Managers, in the name of the Commons of England, viz. Serjeant Maynard (the greate lawyer, the same who prosecuted the cause against the Earle of Strafford 40 yeares before, being now neere 80 yeares of age) S^r Williani Jones, late Attorney General, S^r Francis Winnington a famous pleader, and Mr. Treby now Recorder of London, not appearing in their gownes as lawyers, but in their cloakes and swords as representing the Commons of England: to these were joined Mr. Hampden, Mr. Sacheverell, Mr. Roule, Col. Titus, S^r Tho. Lee, all gentlemen of quality, and noted parliamentary men. The two first dayes, in which were read the commission and impeachment, were but a tedious entrance into matter of fact, at which I was but little present. But on Thursday I was commodiously seated amongst the Commons, when the witnesses were sworn and examined. The principal witnesses were Mr. Oates (who callid himself Dr.) Mr.

Dugdale and Turberville. Oates swore that he deliver'd a commission to Vice-Stafford from the Pope, to be Paymaster Generall to an army intended to be rais'd. Dugdale, that being at Lord Aston's, the prisoner dealt with him plainly to murder his Majestie: and Turberville, that at Paris he also propos'd the same to him.

3. The depositions of my Lord's witnesses were taken, to invalidate the King's witnesses; they were very slight persons, but, being 15 or 16, they tooke up all that day, and in truth they rather did my Lord injury than service.

4. Came other witnesses of the Commons to corroborate the King's, some being Peeres, some Commons, with others of good qualitie, who tooke off all the former day's objections, and set the King's witnesses *recti in Chria.*

5. Sir W^m Jones summ'd up the evidence; to him succeeded all the rest of the Managers, and then Mr. Hen. Poule made a vehement oration. After this my Lord, as on all occasions, and often during the triall spoke in his owne defence, denying the charge altogether, and that he had never seene Oates or Turberville at the time and manner affirm'd; in truth, their testimonie did little weigh with me; Dugdale's onely seem'd to press hardest, to which my Lord spake a greate while, but confusedly, without any method. One thing my Lord said as to Oates, which I confess'd did exceedingly affect me; that a person who during his depositions should so vauntingly brag that tho' he went over to the Church of Rome, yet he was never a Papist, nor of their religion, all the time that he seem'd to apostatize from the Protestant, but only as a spy; tho' he confess'd he tooke their sacrament, worshipp'd images, went thro' all their eathes and discipline of their proselytes, swearing secrety and to be faithfull, but with intent to come over againe and betray them; that such an hypocrite, that had so deeply prevaricated as even to turne idolater (for so we of the Church of England term'd it), attesting Gnd so solemnly that he was intirely theirs and devoted to their interest; and consequently (as he pretended) trusted; I say that the witnessse of such a proflygate wretch should be admitted against the life of a Peere, this my Lord look'd upon as a monstrous thing, and such as must needs redound to the dishonour of our Reli-

gion and Nation. And verily I am of his Lordship's opinion, such a man's testimony should not be taken against the life of a doge. But the merit of something material which he discover'd against Coleman, put him in such esteeme with the Parliament, that now, I finny, he stuck at nothing, and thought every body was to take what he said for Gospel. The consideration of this and some other circumstances began to stagger me; particularly how twas possible that one who went among the Papists on such a designe, and pretended to be intrusted with so many letters and commissions from the Pope and the party, nay and deliver'd them to so many greate persons, should not reserve one of them to shew, nor so much as one copy of any commission, which he who had such dexterity in opening letters might certainly have done, to the undeniable conviction of those whom he accus'd: but, as I said, he gain'd credit on Coleman; but as to others whom he so madly flew upon, I am little inclin'd to belieye his testimony, he being so slight a person, so passionate, ill bred, and of such impudent behaviour; nor is it likely that such piercing politicians as the Jesuits should trust him with so high and so dangerous secretes.

7. On Tuesday I was againe at the trial, when judgment was demanded; and after my Lord had spoken what he could in denying the fact, the Managers answering the objections, the Peeres adjourned to their house, and within two houres returned againe. There was in the meane time this question put to the Judges, "whether there being but one witnessse to any single crime or act, it could amount to convict a man of treason." They gave an unanimous opinion that in case of treason they all were overt acts, for tho' no man should be condemn'd by one witnessse for any one act, yet for several acts to the same intent, it was valid, which was my Lord's case. This being past and the Peeres in their seates againe, the Lord Chancellor Finch (this day the Lord High Steward) removing to the woodcock next his Ma'rs state, after summoning the Lieutenant of the Tower to bring forth his prisoner, and proclamation made for silence, demanded of every peer (who were in all 86) whether William Lord Viscount Stafford were guilty of the treason laid to his charge, or not guilty. Then the Peers spake no standing

up, and laying his right hand on his breast, said Guilty, or Not guilty, upon ye honour, and then sate down, the Lord Steward noting their suffrages as they answered upon a paper: when all had done, the number of Not guilty being but 31, the Guilty 55: and then after proclamation for silence againe, the Lord Steward directing his speech to the prisoner, against whom the axe was turned edgeways, and not before, in aggravation of his crime, he being ennobled by the King's father, and since received many favours from his present Majesty, (after enlarging on his offence) deploring first his owne unhappinesse that he who had never condemn'd any man before, should now be necessitated to begin with him; he then pronounc'd sentence of death by hanging, drawing, and quartering, according to forme, with greate solemnity and dreadfull gravity; and after a short pause, told the prisoner that he believ'd the Lords would intercede for the omission of some circumstances of his sentence; beheading only excepted; and then breaking his white staff, the Court was dissolved. My Lord Stafford during all this latter part spak'd but little, and only gave their Lordships thanks after the sentence was pronounced; and indeede behaved himself modestly and as became him.

It was observ'd that all his owne relations of his name and family condemn'd him, except his nephew the Earle of Arundel, son to the Duke of Norfolk. And it must be acknowledg'd that y^e whole trial was carried on with exceeding gravity: so stately and august an appearance I had never scene before; for besides the innumerable spectators of gentlemen and forraine ministers, who saw and heard all the proceedings, the prisoner had the consciences of all the Commons of England for his accusers; and all the Peeres to be his Judges and Jury. He had likewise the assistance of what Counsel he would, to direct him in his plea, who stood by him. And yet I can hardly think that a person of his age and experience should engage men whom he never saw before (and one of them that came to visite him as a stranger at Paris) point him to murder the King: God onely who searches hearts can discover the truth. Lord Stafford was not a man belov'd, especially of his own familie.

12. This evening looking out of my chamber window towards the west, I saw a meteor of an obscure bright colour, very much beset like the blade of a sword, the rest of the skie very serene and clear. What this may portend God only knowes; but such another phenomenon I remember to have seen in 1640, aboute the Triall of the great Earle of Strafford, preceeding our bloudy Rebellion. I pray God avert his judgements. We have had of late severall comets, which the I believe appeare from naturall causes, and of themselves operate not, yet I cannot despise them. They may be warnings from God, as they commonly are forerunners of his animadversions. After many daies and nights of snow, clowly and dark weather, the comet was very much wasted.

17 Dec. My daughter in law was brought to bed of a sonn, christen'd Richard.

23. A solemn publicq fact that God would prevent all Popish plottes, avert his judgements, and give a blessing to y^e proceedings of Parliament now assenbl'd, and which struck at the succession of the Duke of York.

29. The Viscount Stafford was beheaded on Tower-hill.

1681. 10 Feb. I was at the wedding of my nephew John Evelyn of Wotton, married by the Bp. of Rochester at Westminster in Henry VII. Chapell, to the daughter and heire of Mr. Everfield of Sussex, her portion £3000. The solemnity was kept with a few friends onely at Lady Beckford's, the lady's mother.

8 Mar. Visited and din'd at y^e Earle of Exeter's, with whom I spent most of the afternoone alone. Thence to my (yet living) godmother and kinswoman Mrs. Keightley, sister to S^r Tho. Evelyn and niece to my father, being now 86 yeares of age, sprightly, and in perfect health, her eyes serving her as well as ever, and of a comely countenance; that one would not suppose her above 50.

27. The Parliament now conven'd at Oxford. Great expectation of his Royal Highness's com^e to the parliament, upon which the House was set.

An extraordinary sharp cold winter, not seen in England for 30 years, frost and snow lying: whilst the whole nation was in the greatest ferment.

11 April. I tooke my leave of Dr. Lloyd (now Bishop of St. Asaph) at his house in Leicester Fields, now going to reside in his ~~house~~.

12. Dined at Mr. Brisbane's, Secretary to y^e Admiralty, a learned and judicious person, whither came Dr. Burnet to thank me for some papers I had contributed towards his excellent History of the Reformation.

26. I dined at Don Pietro Ronquillo's, the Spanish Ambassador, at Wild House*, who us'd me with extraordinary civility. The dinner was plentiful; halfe after the Spanish, halfe after the English way. After dinner he led me into his bed-chamber, where we fell into a long discourse concerning religion. Tho' he was a learned man in politics, and an adept, he was very ignorant in religion, and unable to defend any point of controversy; he was however far from being fierce. At parting he earnestly wish'd me to apply humbly to the Blessed Virgin to direct me, assuring me that he had known divers who had been averse from the Roman Catholic Religion, wonderfully enlighten'd and convinc'd by her intercession. He importun'd me to come and visite him often.

29 April. But one showre of rain all this month.

5 May. Came to dine with me S^r W^m Fermor of Northamptonshire, and S^r Christ^r Wren, his Majesty's Architect and Surveyor, now building the Cathedral of St. Paul, and the Column in memorie of the City's conflagration, and was in hand with the building of 50 Parish Churches. A wonderful genius had this incomparable person.

* 16 May. Came my Lady Sunderland to desire that I would propose a match to S^r Stephen Fox for her sonn, Lord Spencer, to marry Mrs. Jane, Sir Stephen's daughter. I excus'd myself all I was able, for the truth is, I was afraid he would prove an extravagant man: for though a youth of extraordinary parts, and had an excellent education to render him a worthy man, yet his early inclinations to extravagance made me apprehensive that I should not serve Sir Stephen by proposing it, like a friend; this being now his only daughter, well bred, and likely to

receive a large share of her father's opinions. Lord Sunderland was much strucke in his estate by gaming and other prodigalities, and was now no longer Secretary of State, having fallen into disfavour of the King for siding with the Commons about the Succession; but which I am assur'd he did not do out of his owne inclination, or for y^e preservation of the Protestant religion, but by mis-taking y^e ability of the party to carry it. However, so earnest and importunate was the Countesse, that I did mention it to S^r Stephen, who said that it was too great an honour, that his daughter was very young as well as my Lord, and he was resolved never to marry her without the parties mutual liking, with other objections which I neither woud nor could contradict. He desir'd me to expresse to the Countesse the greate sense he had of y^e honour don him, that his daughter and her sonn were too young, that he would do nothing without her liking, which he did not think her capable of expressing judiciously till she was 18 or 17 yeares of age, of which she now wanted 4 yeares, and that I would put it off as civilly as I could.

20 May. Our new curate preach'd, a pretty hopeful young man, yet somewhat raw, newly come from colledge, full of Latine sentences, which in time will weare off. He read prayers very well.

25. There came to visite me Sir William Walter and Sir John Blowes; and the next day the Earle of Kildare, a young gent: related to my wife, and other company. There had scarce fallen any raine since Christmas.

2 June. I went to Hampton Court, when the Surrey gentlemen presented their addresses to his Mat', whose hand I kiss'd, introduc'd by the Duke of Albemarle.

12. It still continu'd so great a drought as had never been known in England, and it was said to be univeral.

14 Aug. No sermon this afternoone, w^m I think did not happen twice in this parish these 30 years; so gracious has God been to it, and indeede to the whole nation: God grant that we abuse not this greato priviledge, either by our wantonnesse, schisme, or unfaithfulness, under such meaneas as he has not favour'd us, otherw^m we may heaven besides.

23. I went to Wotton, and on the following day was invited to Mr. Edward Onslow's at his seat at Purford, where was much company and such an extraordinary feast as I had hardly seen at any country gentleman's table. What made it more remarkable was, that there was not any thing save what his estate about it did afford: as venison, rabbits, hares, pheasants, partridges, pigeons, quails, poultrey, all sorts of fowls in season from his owne decoy neere his house, and all sorts of fresh fish. After dinner we went to see sport at the decoy, where I never saw so many herons.

The seat stands on a flat, the ground pasture, rarely water'd, and exceedingly improv'd since Mr. Onslow bought it of S^r Rob^t Parkhurst, who spent a faire estate. The house is timber, but commodious, and with one ample dining-roome, the hall adorn'd with paintings of fowle and hunting, &c. the work of Mr. Barlow, who is excellent in this kind from the life*.

30. From Wotton I went to see Mr. Hussey† (at Sutton in Shere), who has a very pretty seat well water'd, neere my brother's. He is the nextest husband for curious ordering his domestic and field accommodations, and what pertains to husbandry, that I have ever seen, as to his granaries, tacklings, tooles, and utensills, ploughs, carts, stables, wond-pales, wood-house, even to hen-roosts and hog-troughs. Methought I saw old Cato or Varro in him; all substantial, all in exact order. The sole inconvenience he lies under, is the greate quantity of sand which the streme brings along with it, and fills his canals and receptacles for fish too soone. The rest of my time of stay at Wotton was spent in walking about the grounds and goodly woods, where I have in my youth so often entertain'd my solitude: and so on the 2d of Sept. I once more returned to my home.

6 Sept. Died my pretty grand-child, and was interr'd on the 8th [at Deptford.]

14. Dine'd with Sir Stephen Fox, who propos'd to me y^e purchasing of Chelney College, which his Ma^y had some time since given to our

* This house has been pulled down many years. The estate is the property of the Earl of Cadogan. 1816.

Society, and would now purchase it againe to build on Hospital or Infirmary for Souldiers there, in which he desired my assistance as one of the Council of the R^t Society.

15. I had another opportunity of visiting his ~~way~~^{new} private Library at White-hall.

To Sir Sam^r Moreland's, to see his house and mechanicks.

17. I went with Mons^r Faubert about taking y^e Countesse of Bristol's house for an academie, he being lately come from Parjs for his religion, and resolving to settle here †.

23. I went to see S^r Tho. Bond's fine house and garden at Peckham.

2 Oct. I went to Camerwell, where that good man Dr. Pur (late chaplain to Abp. Usher) preach'd on 16 Acts, 30.

11. I went to Fulham to visit the Bishop of London, in whose garden I first saw the *Sedum arborescens* in flower, which was exceedingly beautifull.

5 Nov. Dr. Hooper preach'd on 12 Mark, 16, 17, before the King, of the usurpation of the Church of Rome. This is one of y^e first rank of pulpit men in the nation.

15. I din'd with y^e Earle of Essex, who after dinner in his study, where we were alone, related to me how much he had ben scandaliz'd and injur'd in the report of his being privy to the marriage of his Lady's niece, y^e rich young widow of the late Lord Ogle; sole daughter of y^e E. of Northumberland; shewing me a letter of Mr. Thyun's excusing himself for not communicating his marriage to his Lordship. He acquainted me also with the whole story of that unfortunate lady being betray'd by her grandmother the Countesse of Northumberland, and Col. Bret, for money; and that tho'; upon the importunity of the Duke of Monmouth, he had deliver'd to the grandmother a particular

* In Lambeth, at what is now Vauxhall, where Sir Sam^r Moreland had fitted up a house and built a large room, which he furnished in a sumptuous manner, and constructed in his garden some fountains. He was much in favour with the King for services he had render'd to him whilst abroad, and this is probably the place which it is said the King and his Queen used to take the water to go to. Hist. Surrey, III. 489, 490, 491.—See further particulars of him in p. 407, and vol. II. p. 491; and some of his inventions noticed in the present volume, pp. 444, 491, 558.

† He had a riding house between Swallow-street and King-street; the passage by it between those streets, is still (or lately was) called by his name (1816).

of the jointure which Mr. Thynn pretended he would settle on the lady, yet he totally discourag'd y^e proceeding, as by no means a competent match for one that both by birth and fortune might have pretended to the greatest prince in Christendom; that he also propos'd the Earle of Kingston, or the Lord Cranburn, but was by no means for Mr. Thynn.

19. I din'd with my worthy friend Mr. Erskin, Ma^r of the Charter-house, uncle to the Dutchesse of Monmouth; a wise and learned gentleman, fitter to have ben a privy counsellor and minister of state than to have been laied aside.

24. I was at y^e audience of the Russia Ambassador before both their Majesties in the Banqueting-house. The presents were carried before him, held up by his followers in two ranks before the King's State, and consisted of tapissery (one suite of which was doubtless brought from France as being of that fabrick, the Ambass^d having pass'd thro' that Kingdom as he came out of Spain), a large Persian carpet, furs of sable and ermine, &c. but nothing was so splendid and exotic as the Ambassador who came soone after the King's Restauration*. This present Ambass^d was exceedingly offended that his coach was not permitted to come into the Court, till being told that no King's Ambassador did, he was pacified, yet requiring an attestation of it under the hand of Sir Cha. Cotterell, the Master of the Ceremonies; being, it seems, afraid he should offend his Master if he omitted the least punctilio. Twas reported he condemned his sonn to loose his head for shaving off his beard, and putting himself in y^e French mode at Paris, and that he would have executed it had not the French King interceded—but qu. of this.

30 Nov. S^t Christ^r Wren chosen President [of y^e Royal Society], Mr. Austine, Secretary, with Dr. Plot, the ingenious author of the History of Oxfordshire. There was a most illustrious appearance.

1682. 11 Jan. I saw y^e audience of the Morocco Ambass^d †, his retaine not numerous. He was receiv'd in the Banqueting-house, both their Majesties being present. He came up to the Throne with-

* See p. 365.

† Named Hamet. There are different prints of him; one of which is a large and fine one by Robert,

out making any sort of reverence, nor bowing his head or body. He spake by a renegado Englishman, for whose safe return there was a promise. They were all clad in the Moorish habite, consisting of a lour'd cloth, or silk, with buttons and loops; over this an *allegre*, or white woollen mantle, so large as to wrap both head and body, a shash or small turban, naked legg'd and arm'd, but with leather socks like the Turks, rich scymeter, and large calico sleeve'd shirt. The Ambass' had a string of pearls oddly woven in his turban. I fancy the old Roman habite was little different as to the mantle and naked limbs. The Ambass' was an handsome person, well featur'd, of a wise looke, subtil, and extremely civile. Their presents were lions and estridges (ostriches), &c.; their errand about a peace at Tangier. But the concourse and tumult of the people was intolerable, so as the officers could keepe no order, which these strangers were astonish'd at at first; there being nothing so regular, exact, and perform'd with such silence, as is on all these public occasions of their country, and indeed over all the Turkish dominions.

14. Din'd at the Bp. of Rochester's, at the Abby, it being his marriage day, after twenty-four years. He related to me how he had ben treated by S^r William Temple, foreseeing that he might be a delegate in the concerne of my Lady Ogle, now likely to come in controversy upon her marriage with Mr. Thynn; also how earnestly the late E. of Danby, Lord Treasurer, sought his friendship, and what plaine and sincere advice he gave him from time to time about his misarrangements and partialities; particularly his outing S^r John Dupertuis from being Chancellor of the Exchequer, and S^r Ste. Fox, above all, from Paymaster of y^e Armie. The Treasurer's excuse and reason was, that Fox's credit was so over-greate with the bankers and monied men, that he could procure none but by his meanes; "for that reason," replied y^e Bishop, "I would have made him my friend, Sir Stephen being a person both honest and of credit." He told him likewise of his statelessness and difficulty of accessse, and severall other inconveniences, and which indeude gracie him had.

24. To the Royall Society, where at the Council was proposed a new law for the more accurate consideration of candidates, no whether they

would really be useful; also concerning the honorary members, that none should be admitted but by diploma.

This evening I was at the entertainement of the Morocco Ambassador at the Dutchesse of Portsmouth's glorious apartments at White-hall, where was a greate banquet of sweetemeates and musiq, but at which both the Ambass^r and his retinue behav'd themselves with extraordinary moderation and modesty, tho' plac'd about a long table, a lady between two moores, and amongst these were the King's natural children, viz: Lady Lichfield and Sussex, the Dutchesse of Portsmouth, Nelly, &c. concubines, and cattell of that sort, as splendid as jewells and excesse of bravery could make them. The Moores neither admiring nor seeming to regard any thing, furniture or the like, with any earnestnesse, and but deceiptly tasting of the banquet. They dranke a little milk and water, but not a drop of wine; they also dranke of a sorbet and jacolatt; did not looke about, or stare on y^e ladies, or expresse the least surprize, but with a courtly negligence in pace, countenance, and whole behaviour, answering only to such questions as were ask'd with a greate deale of wit and gallantrie, and so gravely tooke leave with this compliment, That God would blesse the Dutchesse of Portsmouth, and y^e Prince her sonn, meaning the little Duke of Rishmoud. The King came in at the latter end, just as the Ambass^r was going away. In this manner was this slave (for he was no more at home) entertain'd by most of the nobility in towne, and went often to Hide Park on horseback, where he and his retinue shew'd their extraordinary activity in horsemanship, and flinging and catching their launces at full speede; they rid very short, and could stand upright at full speede, managing their spears with incredible agility. He went sometimes to y^e theaters, where upon any foolish or fantastical action, he could not forbear laughing, but he endeavour'd to hide it with extraordinary modesty and gravity. In a word, the Russian Ambassador, still at Court, behav'd himselfe like a clowne, compard to this civil heathen.

27. This evening Sir Ste. Fox acquainted me againe with his Mis-resolution of proceeding in the erection of a Royal Hospital for emerited soldiers on that spot of ground which the Royal Society had

sold to his Ma^t for 1300*l.* and that he would settle 5000*l.* per ann^t on it, and build to y^e value of 20,000*l.* for y^e relief and reception of 4 companies, viz. 400 men, to be as in a colledge or monastrie. It was therefore desir'd by Sir Stephen (who had not onely the whole manag^g of this, but was, as I perceiv'd, himselfe to be a grand benefactor; as well it became him who had gotten so vast an estate by the soaldiers) to assist him, and consult what method to cast it in, as to the government. So in his study we arranges the governor, chaplaine, steward, housekeeper, chirurgeon, cook, butler, gardener, porter, and other officers, with their several salaries and entertainments. I would needes have a Library, and mention'd several booke^s, since some soildiers might possibly be studious when they were at leisure to recollect. Thus we made the first calculations, and set downe our thoughts to be consider'd and digested better, to shew his Ma^t and the Archbisshop. He also engag'd me to consider of what laws and orders were fit for y^e government, which was to be in every respect as strict as in any religious convent.

After supper came in the famous treble Mr. Abel, newly return'd from Italy; I never heard a more excellent voice; one would have sworn it had ben a woman's, it was so high, and so well and skillfully manag'd, being accompanied by Signor Franceseo on the harpeichord.

28. Mr. Pepys, late Secretary to the Admiralty, shew'd me a large folio containing the whole mechanic part and art of building royal ships and men of warr, made by S^r Anth^r Deane, being so accurate a piece, from the very keele to y^e lead block, rigging, guns, victualling, manning, and even to every individual pin and nail, in a method so astonishing and curious, with the draught, both geometrical and in perspective, and several sections, that I do not think the world can shew the like. I esteeme this booke as an extraordinary jewell.

7 Feb. My daughter Mary began to learn mosaick of Sign^r Bartholomeo, and dauncing of Mons^r Least, reputed the best masters.

Having had several violent fits of an ague, incouing w^{ch} had to bathing my legs in milk up to y^e knees, made so hot as I could endure it; and sitting so in it in a steep chaire or muselove^d with blankets, and drinking carduus posset, then going to bed and sweating. I not

only mis'd that expected fit; but had no more, only continued weake; that I could not go to church 'till Ash Wednesday, which I had not missed, I think, so long in twenty yeares, so gracious had God beene to me.

After this warning and admonition I now began to looke over and methodise all my writings, accompts, letters, papers; inventoried the goods, and other artieles of the house, and put things into the best order I could, and made my will; that now growing in yeares, I might have none of these secular things and concerne's to distract me when it should please Almighty God to call me from this transitory life. With this I prepar'd some special meditations and devotions for the time of sicknesse. The Lord Jesus grant them to be salutary for my poore soul in that day, that I may obtain mercy and acceptance!

1 March. My second grandchilde was born, and christen'd the next day by our Viccar at Says Court, by y^e name of John*. I beseeche God to bless him.

2. Ash Wednesday. I went to church; our Viccar preached on Proverbs, shewing what care and vigilance was required for the keeping of the heart upright. The holy Communion followed, on which I gave God thanks for his gracious dealing wth me in my late sicknesse, and affording me this blessed opportunity of praising him in y^e Congregation, and receiving the cup of salvation with new and serious resolutions.

Came to see and congratulate my recovery, S^r John Lowther, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Pepys, Sir Anth: Deane, and Mr. Hill.

10. This day was executed Coll. Vrats, and some of his accomplices, for the execrable murder of Mr. Thynn†, set on by the principal Koningsmark; he went to execution like an undaunted hero, as one that had done a friendly office for that base coward C. Koningsmark, who had hoped to marry his widow the rich Lady Ogle, and was acquitted by a corrupt jury, and so got away. Vrats told a friend of mine who

* Who became his successor, and was created a baronet in 1713.

† Was buried in Westminster Abbey; the manner of his death being represented on his monument.

accompanied him to y^e gallows; and gave him some advice, that he did not value dying of a rush, and hop'd and believ'd God would deal with him like a gentleman. Never man went so unconscous'd for his sad fate.

24. I went to see the corpse of that obstinate creature Coll. Vratz y^e King permitting that his body should be transported to his owne country, he being of a good family, and one of the first embalmed by a particular art invented by one W^e Russell, a coffin maker, which preserv'd the body without disembowelling, or to appearance using any bituminous matter. The flesh was florid, soft, and full, as if the person were onely sleeping. He had now ben dead neare 15 daies, and lay expos'd in a very rich coffin lin'd with lead, too magnificent for so daring and horrid a murderer.

At y^e meeting of R. Society were exhibited some pieces of amber sent by y^e Duke of Brandenburg, in one of w^{ch} was a spider, in another a gnat, both very intire. There was a discourse of y^e tingeing of glass, especially with red, and y^e difficulty of finding any red colour effectual to penetrate glass, among y^e glass-painters; that y^e most diaphonous, as blue, yellow, &c. did not enter into the substance of what was ordinarily painted, more than very shallow, unless incorporated in the mettal itselfe, other reds and whites not at all beyond y^e superficies.

5 April. To y^e R. Society, where at a Council was regulated what collections should be published monthly, as formerly the transactions, which had of late ben discontinu'd, but were now much call'd for by the curious abroad and at home.

12. I went this afternoone with severall of y^e Royal Society to a supper w^{ch} was all dress'd, both fish and flesh, in Mr Papin's Digestors, by which the hardest bones of beefe it selfe, and muttoo, were made as soft as cheese, without water or other liquor, and with less than 8 ounces of coales, producing an incredible quantity of gravy, and for close of all a jelly made of y^e bones of beef, the best for clearness and good relish, and the most delicioues that I had ever seen or tasted. We eat pike and other fish bones, and all without impediment: but nothing exceeded the pigeons, which tasted just as if bak'd in a pie, all these being stew'd in their own juice, without any addition of water

saw what swam about the Digestor, as *in balneo*; the natural juice of other provisions acting on the grosser substances, reduc'd the hardest bones to tendernease; but it is best descanted with more particulars for extracting tinctures, preserving and stewing fruite, and saving fuel; in Dr. Papin's booke, publish'd and dedicated to our Society, of which he is a member. He is since gone to Venice with the late Resident here (and also a member of our Society), who carried this excellent mechanic, philosopher, and physician, to set up a philosophical meeting in that city. This philosophical supper caus'd much mirth amongst us, and exceedingly pleas'd all y^e company. I sent a glass of y^e jolley to my wife, to the reproch of all that the ladies ever made of the best hartshorn.

April. The season was unusually wet, with rain and thunder.

25 May. I was desir'd by Sir Ste. Fox and S^r Christ^r Wren to accompany them to Lambeth, with the plot and designe of the College to be built at Chelsty, to have the Abp.^rs approbation. It was a quadrangle of 200 foote square after y^e dimensions of the larger quadrangle at Christ Church, Oxford, for the accomodation of 440 persons, with governor and officers. This was agreed on.

The Duke and Dutchesse of York were just now come to London after his escape and shipwreck as he went by sea for Scotland.

28. At the Rolls Chapell preached the famous Dr. Burnet on 2 Peter i. 10. describing excellently well what was meant by Election; *viz.* not the effect of any irreversible decree, but so call'd because they embraced the Gospel readily, by which they became elect or precious to God. It would be very needless to make our calling and election sure were they irreversible and what the rigid Presbyterians pretend. In the afternoon to St. Lawrence's church, a new and cheerful pile.

29. I gave notice to y^e Bp. of Rochester of what Maimburg had publish'd about the motives of the late Dutchesse of York's perversion, in his Historie of Calvinism; and did myselfe write to the Bp. of Winchester about it, who being concern'd in it, I urged him to set forth his vindication.

31. The Morocco Ambassador being admitted an honorary member of the R. Society, and subscribing his name and titles in Arabic, I was deputed by the Council to go and compliment him.

19 June. The Bantam^{*}, or East India Ambass^t (at this time we had in London y^e Russian, Moroccan, and Indian Ambassadors) being invited to dine at Lord Geo. Berkeley's (now Earl), I went to the entertainment to contemplate the exotic guests. They were both very hard-favour'd and much resembling in countenance some sort of monkeys. We ate at two tables, the Ambassadors and interpreter by themselves. Their garments were rich Indian silks, flower'd with gold, vix. a close wastcoate to their knees, drawers, naked legs, and on their heads capps made like fruit-baskets. They wore poison'd daggers at their bosoms, the hafts carv'd with some ugly serpents or devils heads, exceeding keene, and of Damasco metal. They wore no sword. The second Ambass^t (sent it seemes to suceede in case the first should die by y^e way in so tedious a journey), having ben at Mecca, wore a Turkish or Arab shash, a little part of y^e linnen hanging downe behinde his neck, with some other difference of habite, and was halfe a Negro, bare legg'd and naked feete, and deem'd a very holy man. They sate cross-legg'd like Turks, and sometimes in the posture of apes and monkeys; their nailes and teeth black as jet, and shining, which being the effect, as to their teeth, of perpetually chewing betel to preserve them from the tooth-ache, much raging in their country, is esteem'd beautifull. The first Ambass^t was of an olive hue, a flat face, narrow eyes, squat nose, and Moorish lips, no haire appear'd; they wore several rings of silver, gold, and copper on their fingers, which was a token of knighthood or nobility. They were of Java Major, whose Princes have ben turn'd Mahometans not above 50 years since, the inhabitants are still pagans and idolators. They seem'd of a dull and heavy constitution, not wondering at any thing they saw, but exceedingly astonished how our Law gave us propriety in our actions, and so

* The name of one was Pungearon Na Pura, of the other Kha Nobs, or Kha Nobs. There are different prints of both, representing them exactly as here described. There were others in the embassy, but probably of inferior degree.

thinking we were all Kings, for they could not be made to comprehend how subjects could possess any thing but at the pleasure of their Prince, they being all slaves; they were pleas'd with the notion, and admir'd our happiness. They were very sober, and I believe subtle in their way. Their meate was cook'd, carried up, and they attended by several fat slaves, who had no covering save drawers, which appear'd very uncouth and loathsome. They ate their pilaw and other spoone-meate without spoones, taking up their pottage in the hollow of their fingers, and very dextrously flung it into their mouthes without spilling a drop.

17 July. Came to dine with me the Duke of Grafton and the young Earle of Ossorie, son to my most deare deceas'd friend.

30. Went to visit our good neighbour Mr. Bohun *, whose whole house is a cabinet of all elegancies, especially Indian; in the hall are contrivances of Japan skreens instead of wainseot; and there is an excellent pendule clock inclos'd in the curious flower-work of Mr. Gibbons in the middle of the vestibule. The landskips of the skreens represent the manner of living, and country of the Chinese. But above all, his lady's cabinet is adorn'd on the fret, cieling, and chimney-piece, with Mr. Gibbons's best carving. There are also some of Streeter's best paintings, and many rich curiosities of gold and silver as growing in the mines. The gardens are exactly kept, and the whole place very agreeable and well water'd. The owners are good neighbours, and Mr. Bohun has also built and endow'd an hospital for eight poor people, with a pretty chapell, and every necessarie accommodation.

1 Aug. To the Bp. of London at Fulham, to review y^e additions w^t Mr. Marshall had made to his curious booke of flowers in miniature, and collection of insects.

4. With S. Stephen Fox, to survey the foundations of the Royal Hospital begun at Chelsey.

9. The Council of the R. Society had it recommended to them to be trustees and visitors, or supervisors, of the Academy which Mons^r Faubert did hope to procure to be built by subscription of worthy gentlemen and noblemen, for the education of youth, and to lessen the vast

* This was at Len. See Hasted's History of Kent, I. 67.

expense the Nation is at yearly by sending children into France to be taught military exercises. We thought good to give him all the encouragement our recommendation could procure.

15. Came to visite me Dr. Rogers, an acquaintance of mine long since at Padoa. He was then Consul of the English Nation, and student in that Universitie, where he proceeded Dr. in Physic; presenting me now with the Latine oration he lately made upon the famous Dr. Harvey's anniversarie in the Coll. of Physicians at London.

20. This night I saw another comet, neere Cancer, very bright, but the stream not so long as the forme.

29. Supp'd at Lord Clarendon's with Lord Hyde his brother, now the great favorite, who invited himselfe to dine at my house the Tuesday following.

30 Oct. Being my birth-day, and I now entering my greatest climacterical of 63, after serious recollections of the yeares past, giving Almighty God thanks for all his mercifull preservations and forbearance, begging pardon for my sinnes and unworthiness, and his blessing and mercy on me the yearre entering. I went with my Lady Fox to survey her building, and give some directions for y^e garden at Chiswick; the architect is Mr. May; somewhat heavy and thick, and not so well understood; the garden much too narrow, the place without water, neere an highway, and neere another greate house of my Lord Barlington, little land about it, so that I wonder at the expence; but women will have their will.

25. I was invited to dine with Mons. Libourel, the Swedish Resident, who made a magnificent entertainment, it being the birth day of his King. There dined the Duke of Albemarle, Dr. of Hamilton, Earle of Bath, E. of Aylesbury, Lord Arran, Lord Castlehaven, the sonne of him who was executed 50 years before, and several gentle persons. I was exceeding afraid of drinking (it being a Dutch feast) but the Duke of Albemarle being that night to wate on his daughter, wine was prohibited; and to prevent all, I stolke away and left this company as soone as we rose from table.

28. I went to the Council of the Royal Society for yr auditing the last yeares account, where I was surprised with a summing up that for

a time tooke away my sight, but God being mercifull to me, I recovered it after a short repose.

30 Nov. I was exceedingly indanger'd and importun'd to stand ye election [for President of y^e R. S.] having so many voices, but by favor of my friends, and regard of my remote dwelling, and now frequent infirmities, I desir'd their suffrages might be transterr'd to Sir John Hoskins, one of the Masters of Chancery; a most learep virtuoso as well as lawyer, who accordingly was elected.

7 Dec. Went to congratulate Lord Hyde (y^e great favorite), newly made Earle of Rochester *, and lately marrying his eldest daughter to the Earle of Ossorie.

18. I sold my East India adventure of 250l. principal for 750l. to the Royal Society, after I had been in that company 25 years, being extraordinary advantageous, by the blessing of God.

23 Jan. 1683. S^r Francis North, sonn to the Lord North, and Lord Cheife Justice, being made Lord Keeper on the death of the Earle of Nottingham, the Lord Chancellor, I went to congratulate him. He is a most knowing, learned, and ingenious man, and besides an excellent person, of an ingenuous and sweete disposition, very skillfull in music, painting, the new philosophy, and politer studies.

29. Supp'd at S^r Jos. Williamson's, where was a select companie of our Society, S^r W^m Petty, Dr. Gale (that learned Schole-master of St. Paul's), Dr. Whistler, Mr. Hill, &c. The conversation was philosophical and therfull, on divers considerable questions proposed; as of the hereditary succession of the Roman Emperors; the Pica mentioned in the Preface to our Common Prayer, w^{ch} signifies onely the Greake Kalendarium. These were mixed with lighter subjects.

2 Feb. I made my court at St. James's, when I saw the Sea Charts of Cap^t. Colling, which that industrious man now brought to shew the Duke, having taken all the coastings from the mouth of the Thames, as far as Wales, and exactly measuring every creeke, island, rock, soundings, harbours, sands, and tides, intending next Spring to proceed till he had finisht the whole island, and that measured by chains

* Laurence, second son of the Chancellor.

and other instruments. A most exact and usefull undertaking. He affirm'd, that of all the mapps put out since, there are none extant so true as those of Jo. Norden, who gave us the first in Qu. Elizabeth's time; all since him are erroneous.

12. This morning I receiv'd the newes of the death of my father-in-law, Sir Richard Browne Knt. and Bart. who died at my house at Says Court this day at 10 in the morning, after he had labour'd under the gowt and dropsie for neere 6 moneths, in the 78th year of his age. The funerall was solemniz'd on the 19th at Deptford, with as much decency as the dignity of the person, and our relation to him, requir'd. There being invited the Bp. of Rochester, severall noblemen, knights, and all the fraternity of the Trinity Companie, of which he had ben Master, and others of the country. The Vicar preach'd a short but proper discourse on 39 Psalm 10, on the frailty of our mortal condition, concluding with an ample and well-deserv'd eulogie on the defunet, relating to his honourable birth and ancestors, education, learning in Greeke and Latine, modern languages, travels, publick employments, signal loyalty, character abroad, and particularly the honor of supporting the Church of England in its publick worship during its persecution by the late Rebells usurpation and regicide, by the suffrages of divers Bishops, Doctors of the Church, and others, who found such an asylum in his house and family at Paris, that in their disputes with the Papists (then triumphing over it as utterly lost) they us'd to argue for its visibility and existence from Sir R. Browne's chapell and assembly there. Then he spake of his greate and loyal sufferings during 13 years exile with his present Ma^{re}, his returne with him in the signall year 1660, his hon^{ble} employment at home, his timely recesse to resolvent himselfe, his greare age, infirmities, and death. He gave to the Trinity Corporation that land in Deptford on which are built those nine houses for 24 widows of emerited scaman. He was borne the famous year of the Gunpowder Treason, in 1605, and being the last male of his family, left my wife, his onely daughter, heire. His grandfather was Rich^t Browne was the greate iudicant under the great Earl of Leicester (favorite to Queene Eliz.) in the government of the Netherlands. He was Master of the Household to King James, and Cather.

I think

was the first who regulated the compositions thro' England for the King's household provisions, progresses*, &c. which was so high a service, and so gratafull to the whole nation, that he had acknowledgements and publiq thanks sent him from all the Counties; he died by the rupture of a veine in a vehement speech he made about the compositions in a Parliament of King James. By his mother's side he was a Gunson, Treasurer of the Navy in y^e reigne of Hen. 8, Qu. Mary, and Qu. Eliz., and as by his large pedigree appeares, related to divers of the English nobility. Thus ended this honorable person, after so many changes and tossings to and fro, in the same house where he was borne. "Lord teach us so to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom!"

By a special clause in his will he order'd that his body should be buried in the Church-yard under the South East window of the Chancel, adjoining to y^e burying places of his ancestors, since they came out of Essex to Ssays Court, he being much offended at the novel costome of burying every one within the body of y^e Church and Chancel, that being a favour heretofore granted only to martyrs and greate persons; this excesse of making Churches Charnel-houses being of ill and irreverend example, and prejudicial to the health of the living, besides the continual disturbance of the pavement and seates, and severall other indecencies. Dr. Hall, y^e pious Bishop of Norwich, would also be so interr'd †, as may be read in his Testament.

16 March. I went to see S^r Josiah Child's prodigious cost in planting walnut trees about his seate ‡, and making fish-ponds, many miles in circuit, in Epping Forest, in a barren spot, as oftentimes these suddenly minded men for the most part seate themselves. He, from a merchant's apprentice, and management of the East India Company's stock, being arriv'd to an estate ('tis said) of £200,000; and lately

* The different Counties were to find provisions of different sorts, which were collected by officers called purveyors, whose extortions often excited the attention of Parliament. For a particular account of their practices, see *Archæologia*, vol. III. p. 349.

† As was afterwards, at Fulham, Dr. Compton, Bishop of London, who used to say "The Church must be provided, the Clerks for the living."

‡ There that elegant mansion, Wanstead House, now stands.

marrid his daughter to the eldest sonne of the Duke of Beaufort, late Marques of Worcester, with £50,000 psonnal present, and various expectations.

I din'd at Mr. Houblon's*, a rich and gentle French merchant, who was building a house in the Forest, neare Sir J. Child's, in a place where y^e late Earle of Norwich dwelt some time, and which came from his lady the widow of Mr. Baker. It will be a pretty villa, about 5 miles from White-chapell.

18 March. I went to hear Dr. Horneck preach at the Savoy Church on 2 Phil. 5. He was a German borne, a most pathetic preacher, a person of a Saint-like life, and hath written an excellent treatise of Consideration.†.

20. Din'd at Dr. Whistler's at the Physicians Colledge, with Sir Tho. Millington, both learned men; Dr. W. the most facetious man in nature, and now Censor of the College. I was here consulted where they should build their library; 'tis pity this Colledge is built so neere New-gate Prison, and in so obscure an hole, a fault in placing most of our publiqu buildings and Churches in the Citty, thro' the avarice of some few men, and his Ma^y not over-ruling it when it was in his power after the dreadfull conflagration.

21. Dr. Tenison preach'd at White-hall on 1 Cor. 6. 12: I esteeme him to be one of the most profitable preachers in the Church of England, being also of a most holy conversation, very learned and ingenious. The paines he takes and care of his parish will, I feare, weare him out, which would be an inexpressible losse.‡.

24. I went to heare Dr. Charlton's lecture on the heart in the Anatomie Theater at the Physicians Colledge.

30. I went to London in order to my passing the following weeke, for y^e celebration of y^e Easter now approaching, there being in the

* The family were eminent marchants in the time of Queen Elizabeth. Monimentum R. 6. 613.

† The full title is "The great Law of Consideration, or a Discourse wherein the nature, usefullnes, and absolute necessity of Consideration, in order to a truly vertuous and religiouse life, are laid open." It went through several editions.

‡ Dr. Thomas Tenison succeeded Tillotson in the metropolitan see of Canterbury, having been before Vicar of St. Martin's in the Fields and Bishop of Lincoln. He lived to a good age.

Holy Wooke so many eminent preachers officiating at the Court and other places.

6 April. Good Friday. There was in the afternoone, according to costome, a Sermon before the King at White-hall; Dr. Sprat preached for the Bp. of Rochester.

17. I was at the launching of the last of the 30 ships order'd to be new built by Act of Parliament, named the Neptune, a second rate, one of the goodliest vessels of the whole navy, built by my kind neighbour young Mr. Shish, his Ma^y master shipwright of this dock.

1 May. I went to Blackheath to see the new faire, being the first, proclai'd by the Lord Dartmouth. This was the first day, pretended for the sale of cattle, but I think in truth to enrich the new tavern at the bowling greene, erected by Snape *, his Ma^y's farrier, a man full of projects. There appeared nothing but an innumerable assembly of drinking people from London, pedlars, &c. and I suppose it too neare London to be of any greate use to the country.

March was unusually hot and dry, and all April excessively wet.

I planted all the out limite of the garden and long walks with holly†.

8. Din'd at S^r Gabriel Sylvius's, and thence to visite y^e Duke of Norfolk, to ask whether he would part with any of his Cartoons and other drawings of Raphael and y^e greate masters; he told me if he might sell them altogether, he wold, but that the late S^r Peter Lely (our famous painter) had gotten some of his best. The person who desired me to treat for them was Vander Douse, grandson to that greate scholar, contemporary and friend of Joseph Scaliger.

16. Came to dinner and visite Sir Richard Anderson of Pendley and his Lady, with whom I went to London.

June 8. On my return home from the R. Society, I found M^r Wilbraham, a young gent. of Cheshire.

11. The Lord Dartmouth was elected Master of the Trinity House; soon to see Mr. Legg, late Master of the Ordnance, and one of the

* Mr. Granger mentions a print of this person by White, and says he was father of Dr. Snape of Eton; one of the family has been serjeant-farrier to the King for three hundred years.

† 400 feet in length, 9 feet high, 5 in diameter, in my now ruined garden, thanks to the Czar of Muscovy. Sylva, book II, chap. vi.

groomes of the bedchamber; a grete favorite of the Duke's, an active and understanding gent^m in sea affaers.

13. To our Society, where we received the Count de Zinzendorf, Ambassador from the Duke of Saxonie, a very fine young man: we shew'd him divers experiments on the magnet, on w^{ch} subject the So- ciety were upon.

16. I went to Windsor, dinging by the way at Chiswick (Chis- wick), at S^t Stephen Fox's, where I found Sir Robert Howard (that universal pretender), and Sign^r Verrio, who brought his draught and designs for the painting of y^e staire-case of S^t Stephen's new house.

That which was new at Windsor since I was last there, and was sur- prizing to m^e, was that incomparable fresca painting in St. George's Hall, representing the legend of St. George, and triumph of the Black Prince, and his reception by Edw. III., the volto, or roose, not totally finish'd; then the Resurrection in the Chapell, where the figure of the Ascension is in my opinion comparable to any paintings of the most fa- mous Roman masters; the *Last Supper* also over the altar. I liked the contrivance of the unseen organ behind the altar, nor lese the stu- pendous and beyond all description the incomparable carving of our Gibbons, who is, without controversie, the greatest master both for in- vention and rarenesse of worke, that the world ever had in any age; nor doubt I at all that he will prove as greate a master in the statuary art.

Verrio's invention is admirable, his ord'nance full and flowing, antiqu and heroicall; his figures move; and if the walls hold (which is y^e ouly doubt by reason of the salts which in time and in this moist climate pre- judice) the work will preserve his name to ages.

There was now the terrace brought almost round the old Castle; the grass made cleane, even, and curiously turf'd; the avenues to the new park, and other walkes, planted with elmes and limes, and a pretty canal, and receptacle for fowles; nor lese observable and famous is the throwing so huge a quantity of excellent water to the enormous height of the Castle, for the use of the whole house, by an extremitie in- ventio[n] of Sr. Samuel Morland.*

* See of him p. 536, &c.

17 June. I din'd at y^e Earle of Sunderland's with the Earles of Bath, Castlehaven, L^t Vis^t. Falconberg, Faulkland, Bp. of London, the Grand Master of Malta, brother to the Duke de Vendosme, (a young wild spark,) and Mr. Dryden the Poet. After evening prayer I walk'd in the park with my Lord Clarendon, where we fell into discourse of the Bp. of Salisbury (Dr. Seth Ward), his subtily, &c. Dr. Durell, late Deane of Windsor, being dead, Dr. Turner, one of the Duke's Chaplains, was made Deane.

I visited my Lady Arlington, Grboine of the Stole to her Ma^r, who being hardly set down to supper, word was brought her that the Queene was going into the park to walke, it being now neere eleven at night; the alarm caus'd the Countesse to rise in all haste, and leave her supper to us. By this one may take an estimate of the extream slavery and subjection that courtiers live in, who have not time to eate and drinke at their pleasure. It put me in mind of Horace's Mouse, and to blesse God for my owne private condition.

Here was Mons^t de l'Angle, the famous minister of Charenton, lately fled from the persecution in France, concerning y^r deplorable condition of the Protestants there.

18. I was present, and saw and heard the humble submission and petition of the Lord Major, Sheriffs, and Aldermen, on behalf of the City of London, on the *quo warranto* agaist their charter, which they deliver'd to his Ma^r in the Presence-chamber. It was deliver'd kneeling, and then the King and Council went into the Council-chamber, the Maior and his brethren attending still in the Presence-chamber. After a short space they were called in, and my Lord Keeper made a speech to them, exaggerating the disorderly and riotous behaviour in the late election, and polling for Papillon and Du Bois after the Common-hall had ben formally dissolv'd; with other misdemeanors, libells on the Government, &c. by which they had incurr'd his Ma^r high displeasure; and that but for this submission, and under such articles as the King should require their obedience to, he would certainly enter judgment against them, which hitherto he had suspended. The things requir'd were as follows: that they should

neither elect Maior, Sheriff, Aldermen, Recorder, Common Serjeant, Towne Cleark, Coronar, or Steward of Southwark, without his Ma^y approbation; and that if they presented any his Ma^y did not like, they should proceed in wonted manner to a second choice; & that was disapprov'd, his Ma^y to nominate them; and if within five daies they thought good to assent to this, all former miscarriages should be forgotten. And so they tamely parted with their so ancient privileges after they had dined and ben treated by the King. This was a signal and most remarkable period. What the consequences will prove, time will shew. Divers of the old and most learned lawyers and judges were of opinion that they could not forfeit their charter, but might be personally punish'd for their misdemeanors; but the plurality of the younger judges and rising men judg'd it otherwise.

The Popish Plot also, which had hitherto made such a noise, began now sensibly to dwindle, thro' the folly, knavery, impudence, and giddiness of Oates, so as the Papists began to hold up their heads higher than ever, and those who had fled, flock'd to London from abroad. Such suddaine changes and eager doings there had ben, without any thing steady or prudent for these last seaven yeares.

19 June. I return'd to towne in a coach with the Earle of Clarendon, when passing by the glorious palace his father built but few yeares before, which they were now demolishing, being sold to certaine undertakers, I turn'd my head the contrary way till the coach was gone past it, least I might minister occasion of speaking of it, which must needs have griev'd him, that in so short a time their pomp was fallen.

28. After the Popish Plot there ws now a new, and (as they call'd it) a Protestant Plot discover'd, that certaine Lords and others should designe the assassination of the King and the Duke as they were to come from New-market, with a general rising of y^e Nation, and especially of the City of London, disaffected to the present Government; upon which were committed to the Tower the Lord Russell, eldest son of the Earle of Bedford, the Earle of Essex, Mr. Algernon Sydney son to the old Earle of Leicester, Mr. Trenchard, Hampden, Lord Howard of Escrick, and others. A proclamation was issued against my Lord

Gray, the Duke of Monmouth, Sr Tho. Armstrong, and one Ferguson, who had escaped beyond sea ; of these some were said to be for killing the King, others for onely seizing on him and persuading him to new counsels, on the pretence of the danger of Popery should the Duke live to succeed, who was now again admitted to the councils and cabinet seacrets. The Lords Essex and Russell were much deplor'd, few believing they had any evil intention against the King or the Church : some thought they were cunningly drawn in by their enemies for not approving some late councils and management relating to France, to Popery, to the persecution of the Dissenters, &c. They were discovered by the Lord Howard of Escrick and some false brethren of the club, and the designe happily broken ; had it taken effect, it would, to all appearance, have expos'd the Government to unknowne and dangerous events, which God avert !

28. Was borne my grand-daughter at Says Court, and christned by the name of Martha Maria, our Viccar officiating. I pray God blesse her, and may she choose the better part.

13 July. As I was visiting Sr Tho. Yarbrow and his Lady in Covent Garden, the astonishing newes was brought to us of the Earle of Essex having cut his throat, having been but three days a prisoner in the Tower, and this happening on the very day and instant that Lord Russell was on his trial, and had sentence of death. This accident exceedingly amaz'd me, my Lord Essex being so well known by me to be a person of such sober and religious deportment, so well at his ease, and so much oblig'd to the King. It is certaine the King and Duke were at the Tower, and pass'd by his window about the same time this morning, when my Lord asking for a rasoar shut himselfe into a closet and perpetrated the horrid act. Yet it was wondred by some how it was possible he should do it in the manner he was found, for the wound was so deepe and wide, that being cut thro' the gullet, wind-pipe, and bothe the jugulars, it reach'd to the very vertebrae of y^e neck, so that the head held to it by a very little skin as it were ; y^e gapping too of y^e rasoar, and cutting his owne fingers, was a little strange ; but more, that having pass'd the jugulars he should have

strength to proceed so far, that an executioner could hardly have done more with an axe. There were odd reflections upon it *.

This fatal newes coming to Ficke's Hall upon the article of my Lord Russell's trial, was said to have had no little influence on the Jury and all the Bench to his prejudice. Others said that he had himself on some occasions hinted, that in case he should be in danger of having his life taken from him by any publiq misfortune, those who thirsted for his estate should miss of their aim; and that he should speak favourably of that Earle of Northumberland †, and ~~many~~ others who made away with themselves; but these are discourses so unlike his sober and prudent conversation, that I have no inclination to credit them. What might instigate him to this devilish fact, I am not able to conjecture. My Lord Clarendon, his brother-in-law, who was with him but the day before, assur'd me he was then very cherefull, and declar'd it to be the effect of his innocence and loyalty; and most believe that his Ma^y had no sever intentions against him, tho' he was altogether inexorable as to Lord Russell, and some of the rest. For my part, I believe the crafty and ambitious Earle of Shaftesbury had brought them into some dislike of the present carriage of matters at Court, not with any designe of destroying the Monarchy (which Shaftesbury has in confidence and for unanswerable reasons told me he would support to his last breath, as having seene and felt the miserie of being under mechanic tyranny), but perhaps of setting up some other whom he might governe, and frame to his own Platonic spacie, without much regard to the religion establish'd under the Hierarchy, for which he had no esteeme; but when he perceiv'd those whom he had engag'd to rise, fail of his expectations, and the day past, reproaching his complices that a second day for an exploit of this nature was never successfull, he gave them the slip, and got into Holland, where the fox died, three moneths before these unhappy Lords and others were discover'd or suspected. Everyone deplor'd Essex and Russell,

* Bishop Burnet, after making every enquiry he could in the Country, does not believe that Essex was murdered. Own Times, vol. I. p. 320.

† Henry Percy, eighth Earl of Northumberland, sent himself to the Tower, to which he had been committed on a charge of high treason in June 1586.

especialy the last as being thought to haye been drawn in on pretence only of endeavouring to rescue the King from his present councellors, and secure Religion from Popery, and the Nation from arbitrary Government, now so much apprehended; whilst the rest of those who were fled, especialy Ferguson and his gang, had doubtlesse some bloody designe, to set up a Commonwealth, and turn all things topsy turvy. Of the same tragical principles is Sidney.

13. I had this day much discourse with Mons^r Pontaq, son to y^e famous and wise prime President of Bourdeaux. This gentleman was owner of that excellent vignoble of Pontaq and Obrien, from whence come the choicest of our Bourdeaux wines: and I think I may truly say of him, what was not so truly said of St. Paul, that much learning had made him mad. He had studied well in philosophie, but cheifly the rabbipes, and was exceedingly addicted to cabalistical fancies, an eternal hablador [babbler], and halfe distracted by reading abundance of the extravagant Eastern Jewes. He spake all languages, was very rich, had a handsome person, and was well bred, about 45 yeares of age.

14 July. I visited Mr. Fraser, a learned Scots gentⁿ, whom I had formerly recommended to Lord Berkeley for the instruction and government of his sonn, since dead at sea. He had now ben in Holland at the sale of y^e learned Heinsius's library, and shewed me some very rare and curious booke^s, and some MSS. which he had purchas'd to good value. There were three or foure Herbals in miniature, accurately don, divers Roman antiquities, of Verona, and very many books of Aldus's impression.

15. A stranger, an old man, preach'd on 6 Jerem. 8. the not hearkening to instruction, portentous of desolation to a people; much after Bp. Andrews's method, full of logical divisions, in short and broken periods, and Latine sentences, now quite out of fashion in the pulpit, which is grown into a far more profitable way, of plaine and practical discourses, of which sort this Nation, or any other, never had greater plenty or more profitable (I am confident); so much has it to answer for thriving no better on it.

The public was now in great consternation on the late plot and conspiracy; his Majestie very melancholy, & not stirring without double guards; all the avenues and private dores about White-hall and the Park shut up, few admitted to walke in it. The Papists in the meane time very jocond, and indeede with reason, seeing their own plot brought to nothing, and turn'd to ridicule, and now a conspiracy of Protestants as they call'd them.

The Turks were likewise in hostility against the German Emperor, almost masters of the Upper Hungary, and drawing towards Vienna. On the other side the French King (who 'tis believ'd brought in the infidels) disturbing his Spanish and Dutch neighbours, having swallow'd up almost all Flanders, pursuing his ambition of a fifth universal monarchy; and all this blood and disorder in Christendom had evidently its rise from our defections at home, in a wanton peace, minding nothing but luxurie, ambition, and to procure money for our vices. To this add our irreligion and atheism, greate ingratitude, and selfe interest; the apostacy of some, and the suffering the French to grow so greate, and the Hollanders so weake. In a word, we were wanton, madd, and curfeiting with prosperity; every moment smotthing the old foundations, and never constant to any thing. The Lord in mercy avert the sad omen, and that we do not provoke him till he bear it no longer!

This summer did we suffer 20 French men of war to passe our Chanell towards the Sound, to help the Danes against the Swedes who had abandon'd the French interest; we not having ready sufficient to guard our coasts or take cognizance of what they did; tho' the nation never had more, or a better navy, yet the sea never had so slender a fleet.

19 July. George Prince of Denmark, who landed this day, came to marry the Lady Anne, daughter to the Duke, so I returned home, having seen the young gallant at dinner at White-hall.

20. Several of the Conspirators in the late former were executed at Tyburn; and the next day,

21. Lord Russell was beheaded in London, upon scaffold, the executioner giving him three butchery strokes. The speech he made,

and paper which he gave the Sheriff declaring his innocence, the noblenesse of the family, the piety and worthynesse of y^e unhappy gentleman, wrought much pity, and occasion'd various discourses on the plot.

25. I againe saw Prince George of Denmark: he had the Danish countenance, blonde, of few words, spake French but ill, seem'd somewhat heavy, but reported to be valiant, and indeede he had bravely rescu'd and brought off his brother the K. of Denmark in a battaile against the Swedes, when both those Kings were engag'd very smartly.

28. He was married to the Lady Anne at White-hall. Her Court and Household to be modell'd as the Duke's, her father, had ben, and they to continue in England.

1 Aug. Came to see me Mr. Flamsted, the famous astronomer, from his Observatorie at Greenewich, to draw the meridion for my pendole, &c.

2. The Countesses of Bristol and Sunderland, aunt and cousin german of the late Lord Russell, came to visite me, and condole his sad fate. The next day came Col. Russell, uncle to the late Lord Russell, and brother to the Earle of Bedford, and with him Mrs. Middleton, that famous and indeede incomparable beanty, daughter to my relation S^r Rob^t Needham.

19. I went to Bromely to visite our Bishop, and excellent neighbour, & to congratulate his now being made Archbishop of Yorke. On the 28th he came to take his leave of us, now preparing for his journey and residence in his province.

28. My sweete little grandchild Martha Maria died, and on the 29th was buried in the parish church.

2 Sept. This morning was read in the Church, after the office was done, the declaration setting forth the late conspiracy against the King's person.

3. I went to see what had ben done by the Duke of Beaufort on his late purchas'd house at Chelsey, which I once had the selling of for the Countess of Bristol; he had made greate alterations, but might have built a better house with the materials and the cost he had been at.

Saw y^e Countesse of Monte Feltre, whose husband I had formerly known; he was a subject of the Pope's, but becoming a Protestant, he resided in England, and married into the family of the Savilles of Yorkshire. The Count, her late husband, was a very learned gent: a greate politician, and a goodly man. She was accompanied by her sister exceedingly skill'd in painting, nor did they spare for colour on their owne faces. They had a greate deal of wit.

9. It being the day of publiq thanksgiving for his Ma^y: late preservation, the former declaration was againe read, and there was an office us'd, compos'd for the occasion. A loyal Sermon was preached on y^e divine right of Kings, from 144 Psalm 10. "Thou hast preserved David from the peril of the sword."

15. Came to visite me the learned anatomist Dr. Tyson, with some other Fellows of our Society.

16. At the elegant villa and garden of Mr. Bohun's at Lee. He shewed me the zinnger tree or platanus, and told me that since they had planted this kind of tree about the Citty of Ispahan in Persia, the plague, w^{ch} formerly much infested the place, had exceedingly abated of its mortal effects, and render'd it very healthy.

18. I went to London to visite y^e Dutchesse of Grafton, now greate with child, a most virtuous and beautifull lady. Dining with her at my Lord Chamberlaine's, met my Lord of St. Alban's, now grown so blid that he could not see to take his meate. He has liv'd a most easy life, in plenty even abroad, whilst his Ma^y was a sufferer; he has lost immense sums at play, which yet, at about 80 years old, he continues, having one that sits by him to name the spots in the cards. He eate and drank with extraordinary appetite. He is a prudent old courtier, and much enrich'd since his Ma^y: returns.

After dinner I walked to survey the sad demolition of Clarendon House, that costly and only sumptuous palace of the late Lord Chancellor Hyde, where I have often ben so cheerfull with him, and sometimes so sad: happening to make him a visite but the day before he fled from the angry Parliament, accusing him of mal-administration, and being envious at his grandeur, who from a private lawyer came to be father in law to the Duke of York, and as some would suggest, design-

ing his Ma^{ys}' marriage with the Infanta of Portugal, not apt to breed ; to this they imputed much of our unhappiness, and that he being sole minister and favorite at his Majesty's Restauration, neglected to gratify the King's suffering party, preferring those who were the cause of our troubles. But perhaps as many of these things were injuriously laid to his charge, so he kept the government far steadier than it has prov'd since. I could name some who I think contributed greatly to his ruin, the buffones and the *misses*, to whom he was an eye-sore. 'Tis true he was of a jolly temper after the old English fashion ; but France had now the ascendant, and we were become quite another nation. The Chancellor gone, and dying in exile, the Earl his successor sold that which cost £50,000. building, to the young Duke of Albemarle for £25,000. to pay debts which how contracted remains yet a mystery, his sonn being no way a prodigal. Some imagine the Duchesse his daughter had ben chargeable to him. However it were, this stately palace is decreed to ruine, to support the prodigious waste the Duke of Albemarle had made of his estate since the old man died. He sold it to the highest bidder, and it fell to certaine rich bankers and mechanics, who gave for it and the ground about it £35,000. ; they designe a new town as it were, and a most magnificent piazza (i. e. square.) 'Tis said they have already materials towards it with what they sold of the house alone, more worth than what they paid for it. See the vicissitude of earthly things ! I was astonished at this demolition, nor less at the little army of labourers and artificers levelling the ground, laying foundations, and contriving great buildings at an expence of £200,000. if they perfect their designe*.

* In a letter to Lord Cornbury, dated Ssays Court, 20 Jan. 1665-6, Mr. Evelyn having been to see Chatsworth House, says : "I went with prejudice and critical spirit, incident to those who fancy they know any thing in art ; I acknowledge that I have never seene a nobler pile. My old friend and fellow-traveller (Inhabitants and co-temporaries at Rome) has perfectly acquitted himself. It is, without hyperbole, the best contrived, the most usefull, gracefull, and magnificent house in England ; I except not Audley End, which, though larger and full of gaudy barbarous ornaments, doth not give so judicious spectatuer. Here is state and use, solidity and beauty, most symetrically combined together. Nothing abroad pleases me better, nothing at home approaches it. I have often desired to gratifie the architect beyond what I am obliged as a professed bonor of virtue whatsoever is conspicuous ; but when I had seriously contemplated every roome (for I went

19. In my walkes I stepp'd into a goldsmithes work-house, where he shew'd me the wonderfull ductilitie of that spreading and屈ile metall. He said it must be finer than the standard, such as was old angel gold; and that of such he had once to y^e value of £100. stamp'd with the *agnus dei*; and coy'd at the time of the holy war, which had been found in a ruin'd wall somewhere in the North, neere to Scotland, some of which he beatc into leaves, and the rest sold to y^e curios in antiquities and medall.

antiquities and medals.
23 Sept. We had now y^e welcome tidings of the King of Poland raising the siege of Vienna, which had given terror to all Europe, and utmost reproach to y^e French, who 'tis believ'd brought in the Turks for diversion that the French King might the more easily swallow Flanders, and pursue his unjust conquests on the Empire, whilst we sat unconcern'd and under a deadly charm from somebody.

There was this day a collection for rebuilding New-market, consum'd by an accidental fire, which removing his Maj^t thence sooner than was intended, put by the assassines, who were disappointed of their rendezvous and expectation by a wonderfull providence. This made the King more earnest to render Winchester the seat of his autumnal field diversions for the future, designing a palace there, where the ancient castle stood; infinitely indeede preferable to New-market for prospects, air, pleasure, and provisions. The surveyor has already begun the foundation for a palace, estimated to cost £35,000, and his Majesty is purchasing ground about it to make a parke, &c.

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4 Oct. I went to London, on receiving a note from the Countesse of Arlington, of some considerable charge or advantage I might obtain by applying myself to his Ma^t on this signal conjuncture of his Majesty entering up judgment against the City Charter; the proposal made me I wholly declin'd, not being well satisfied with the recent transactions, and not a little sorry that his Ma^t was so much engaged in things of this nature against so greate a City, the consequence of which

into 'em all, from the cellar to the platform on the top), and then the walls were erected, the arches run and every little detail worked out, so that stage 6. I was most highly satisfied, and the audience responded to what I showed.

may be so much to his prejudice; so I return'd home. At this time the Lord Chief Justice Pemberton was displaced. He was held to be the most learned of the judges, and an honest man. Sir Geo. Jeffries was advanc'd, reputed to be most ignorant, but most daring. Sir Geo. Treby, Recorder of London, was also put by, and one Geimer, an obscure lawyer, set in his place. Eight of the richest and cheife aldermen were remov'd, and all the rest made onely justices of the peace, and no more wearing of gownes or chaines of gold. The Lord Mayor and two Sheriffs holding their places by new grants, as *Custodes*, at the King's pleasure. The pompe and grandure of the most august City in the world thus chang'd face in a moment, which gave greate occasion of discourse and thoughts of hearts, what all this wold end in. Prudent men were for the old foundations.

Following his M^y this morning thro' the gallerie, I went, with the few who attended him, into the Dutchesse of Portsmouth's dressing-roome within her bed-chamber, where she was in her morning loose garment, her maids combing her, newly out of her bed, his Ma^y and the gallants standing about her; but that which engag'd my curiosity was the rich and splendid furniture of this woman's apartment, now twice or thrise pull'd down and rebuilt to satisfie her prodigal and expensive pleasures, whilst her Ma^y does not exceede some gentleman's ladies in furniture and accommodacion. Here I saw the new fabriq of French tapasyry, for designe, tendernesse of worke, and incomparable imitation of the best paintings, beyond any thing I had ever beheld. Some pieces had Versailles, St. German's, and other palaces of the French King, with huntings, figures, and landskips, exotiq fowls, and all to the life rarely don. Then for Japan cabinets, screenes, pendule clocks, greate vases of wrought plate, tables, stands, chimney furnitures, branches, braseras, &c all of massie silver, and out of number besides some of her Ma^y best paintings.

Suffiting of this, I din'd at S^r Stephen Fox's, and went contented home to my poor, but quiet villa. What contentment can there be in the riches and splendor of this world, purchas'd with vice and dishonour!

10 Oct. Visited the Dutchesse of Grafton, not yet brought to bed, and dining with my Lord Chamberlaine (her father), went with them to see Montagu House*, a palace lately built by Lord Montagu, who had married y^e most beautifull Countesse of Northumberland†. It is a stately and ample palace. Sign^r Verrio's fresca paintings, especially the funeral pile of Dido, on y^e stayrecase, the labours of Hercules, fight with the Centaurs, effeminacy with Dejanira, and Apotheosis or reception amongst the gods, on y^e walls and roofe of the greate roome above, I think exceeds any thing he has yet doe, both for designe, colouring, and exuberance of invention, comparable to y^e greatest of the old masters, or what they so celebrate at Rome. In the rest of the chamber are some excellent paintings of Holbein and other masters. The garden is large, and in good aire, but the fronts of the house not answerable to the inside. The Court at entrie, and wings for offices seeme too neare the streete, and that so very narrow and meanely built that the corridore is not in proportion to y^e rest, to hide the court from being overlook'd by neighbours, all which might have ben prevented had they plac'd the house further into y^e ground, of which there was enough to spare. But on the whole it is a fine palace, built after the French pavilion way, by Mr. Hooke, the Curator of the Royal Society. There were with us my Lady Scroope, the greate witt, and Mons^r Chardine‡, the celebrated traveller.

13. Came to visite me my old and worthy friend Mr. Packer, bringing with him his nephew Berkeley, grandson to the honest judge. A most ingenious, virtuous, and religiouse gent^r, seated neare Worcester, and very curious in gardening.

17 Oct. I was at the court leet of this manor, my Lord Arlington his Ma^y High Steward §.

26. Came to visite and dine with me Mr. Pinckbury Surveyor to the Admiralty, a learned and agreeable man.

* See p. 613.

+ He was made Earl of Montagu by King Willm^z, and Duke by Queen Anne. His wife was Lady Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Wriothesley Earl of Southampton, sonne of George Percy, the 11th and last Earl of Northumberland (of that family).

‡ See p. 557.

The author of Deputie of Ireland, &c. was deceased.

20. I went to New to visite S^r Hen. Capell, brother to the late Earle of Essex; but he being gone to Cashioberry, after I had seene his garden* and the alterations therin, I return'd home. He had repair'd his house, roof'd his hall with a kind of cupola, and in a niche was an artificial fountaine; but the roome seems to me over melancholy, yet might be much improv'd by having the walls well painted à fresca. The two greene houses for oranges and mirtles communicating with the roomes below, are very well contriv'd†. There is a cupola made with pole-work betweene two elmes at the end of a walk, which being cover'd by plashing the trees to them, is very pretty: for the rest there are too many fir trees in the garden.

17 Nov. I tooke a house in Villiers Streete, York Buildings, for the winter, having many important concernes to dispatch, and for the education of my daughters.

23. The Duke of Monmouth, till now proclaim'd traytor on the pretended plot for which Lord Russell was lately beheaded, came this evening to White-hall and render'd himself, on which were various discourses.

26. I went to compliment the Dutchesse of Grafton, now laying-in of her first child, a sonn‡, which she call'd for, that I might see it. She was become more beautiful, if it were possible, than before, and full of vertue and sweetnesse. She discours'd with me of many particulars, with greate prudence and gravity beyond her yeares.

29. Mr. Forbes shew'd me the plot of the garden making at Burleigh, at my Lord Exeter's, which I look'd on as one of the most noble that I had seene.

The whole court and towne in solemn mourning for the death of the K. of Portugal, her Maies brother.

30. At the anniversary dinner of the Royal Society the King sent us two dores. S^r Cyril Wych was elected President.

* *Archæologia*, vol. XII. p. 185.

† Of late years this plan has been adopted at many gentlemen's houses. (1816.)

‡ Charles, who succeeded his father killed in Ireland in 1690. This son was Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Lord Chamberlain, Privy Councillor, K. G. &c. in the reigns of Anne, George I. and George II. There is a fine whole-length mezzotinto of him by Faber.

5 Dec. I was this day invited to a wedding of one Mrs. Castle, to whom I had some obligation, and it was to her first husband, a Lieut. Colonel of the City. She was the daughter of one Burton, a broom-man; by his wife who sold kitchen stuff in Kent Streete, whom God so bless'd that the father became a very rich, and was a very honest man; he was Sheriff of Surrey*, where I have sat on the bench with him. Another of his daughters was married to Sir John Bowler; and this daughter was a jolly friendly woman. There was at the wedding y^e Lord Major, the Sheriff, several Aldermen, and persons of qualite; above all, S^r Geo. Jefferies, nowly made Lord Cheife Justice of England, with Mr. Justice Withings, daunc'd with the bride and were exceeding merrie. These great men spent the rest of the afternoone, till 11 at night, in drinking healths, taking tobacco, and talking much beneath the gravity of Judges that had but a day or two before condemn'd Mr. Algernon Sidney, who was executed the 7th on Tower Hill, on the single witnessse of that monster of a man, Lord Howard of Escrick, and some sheets of paper taken in Mr. Sidney's study, pretended to be written by him, but not fully prov'd, nor the time when, but appearing to have ben written before his Majesty's restoration, and then pardon'd by the act of oblivion; so that tho' Mr. Sidney was known to be a person obstinately averse to government by a monarch (the subject of the paper was in answer to one of S^r E. Filmer), yet it was thought he had very hard meaure. There is this yet observable, that he had ben an inveterate enemy to the last King, and in actual rebellion against him; a man of greate courage, greate sense, greate parts, which he shew'd both at his trial and death; for when he came on the scaffold, instead of a speech, he told them onely that he had made his peace with God, that he came not thither to talk, but to die; put a paper into the Sheriff's hand, and another into a friend's, sayd one prayer as short as a grace, laid down his neck, and bid the executioner do his office.

The Duke of Monmouth, now having his pardon refused to acknowledge there was any treasonable plot; for which he is banisht White-

hall. This was a greate disappointment to some who had prosecuted Treuchard, Hampden, &c. that for want of a second witnesse were come out of the Tower upon their habeas corpus.

The King had now augmented his guards with a new sort of dragoons, who carried also grenades, and were habited after the Polish manner, with long picked caps, very fierce and fantastical.

7. I went to the Tower, and visited the Earl of Danby, the late Lord High Treasurer, who had ben imprisoned four years: he receiv'd me with greate kindnesse. I dined with him, and staid till night. We had discourse of many things, his Lady railing sufficiently at the keeping her husband so long in prison. Here I saluted the Lord Dunblaine's wife*, who before had ben married to Emerton, and about whom there was that scandious businesse before y^e deb gates.

23. The small pox very prevalent and mortal; the Thames frozen.

26. I dined at Lord Clarendon's, where I was to meet that ingenuous and learned gent^r S^r Geo. Wheeler, who has published the excellent description of Africa and Greece, and who being a Knight of a very fair estate and young, had now newly entred into holy orders.

27. I went to visite Sir John Chardin, a French gentleman who had travell'd three times by land into Persia, and had made many curios researches in his travells, of which he was now setting forth a relation. It being in England this year one of the severest frosts that had happen'd of many yeares, he told me the cold in Persia was much greater, the ice of an incredible thicknesse; that they had little use of iron in all that country, it being so moiste (tho' the aire admirably clear and healthy), that oyle would not preserve it from rusting, so that they had neither clocks nor watches; some padlocks they had for doores and boxes.

30. Dr Sprat, now made Deane of Westminster, preached to the King at White-hall, on 6 Matt. 24. Recollecting the passages of the past yeare, I gave God thanks for his mercies, praying his blessing for the future.

* Peregrine Viscount Dunblaine, youngest son of the Earl of Danby, so created in his father's life-time, and who became his successor in title and estate.

1684, 1 Jan. The weather continuing intolerably severe, streetes of booths were set upon the Thames; the aire was so very cold and thick, as of many years there had not ben the like. The small pox was very mortal.

2. I din'd at S^r Sta. Fox's: after dinner came a fellow who eate live charcoal, glowingly ignited, quenching them in his mouth, and then champing and swallowing them down. There was a dog also which seem'd to do many rational actions.

6. The river quite frozen.

9. I went crosse the Thame on the ice, now become so thick as to beare not onely streetes of boothes, in which they roaste meat, and had divers shope of wares, quite acrossse as in a towne, but coaches, carts, and horses, passed over. So I went from Westminster Stayres to Lambeth, and din'd with the Archbishop: where I met my Lord Bruce, Sir Geo. Wheeler, Coll. Cooke, and severall divines. After dinner and discourse with his Grace till evening prayers, Sir Geo. Wheeler and I walked over the ice from Lambeth Stayres to the horse ferry.

10. I visited Sir Robert Reading, where after supper we had musiq, but not comparable to that which Mrs. Bridgeman made us on the guittar with such extraordinary skill and dexterity.

16. The Thame was fill'd with people and tents, selling all sorts of wares as in the City.

24. The frost continuing more and more severe, the Thame before London was still planted with boothes in formal streetes, all sorts of trades and shops furnish'd and full of commodities, even to a printing presse, where the people and ladyes tooke a fancy to have their names printed, and the day and year set down when printed on the "Thame": this humour tooke so universally, that twoe estimated the printer gain'd 25. a day, for printing a line onely of a name or a name, besides what he got by ballads, &c. Coaches piled from Westminster to the Temple, and from severall other places to and fro, as in the

* By favour of a gentleman possessed of manuscript history, I have seen a copy of these cards now before me. WHICH OF THESE NAMES WERE PRINTED ON THE THAME, WHEN THE RIVER OF THAMES BEING FROZEN. IN THE SEVENTEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FOURTH YEAR IT IS ADDED WITH A PEN, PROBABLY BY MR. JAMES COOKE,

streetes, sleds, sliding with skeetes, a bull-baiting, horse and coach races, puppet plays and interludes, cookes, tippling, and other lewd places, so that it seem'd to be a bacchanalian triumph; or carnival on the water, whilst it was a severe judgment on the land, the trees not onely splitting as if lightning-struck, but men and cattle perishing in divers places, and the very seas so lock'd up with ice, that no vessells could stir out or come in. The fowles, fish, and birds, and all our exotiq plants and greenes universally perishing. Many parkes of deer were destroied, and all sorts of fuell so deare that there were greate contributions to preserve the poore alive. Nor was this severe weather much lesse intense in most parts of Europe, even as far as Spaine and the most Southern tracts. London, by reason of the excessive coldness of the aire hindering the ascent of the smoke, was so fill'd with the fuliginous steame of the sea-coale, that hardly could one see crosse the streetes, and this filling the lungs with its grosse particles, exceedingly obstructed the breast, so as one could scarcely breath. Here was no water to be had from the pipes and engines, nor could the brewers and divers other tradesmen worke, and every moment was full of disastrous accidents.

4 Feb. I went to Says Court to see how the frost had dealt with my garden, where I found many of the greenes and rare plantes utterly destroied. The oranges and mirtills very sick, the rosemary and laurells dead to all appearance, but y^e cypress likely to indure it.

5. It began to thaw, but froze againe. My coach crossed from Lambeth to the Horseferry at Millbank, Westminster. The booths were almost all taken downe, but there was first a Map or Landskip cut in copper representing all the manner of the camp, and the several actions, sports, and pastimes thereon, in memory of so signal a frost*.

7. I dined with my Lord Keeper [North], and walking alone with him some time in his gallery, we had discourse of musiq. He told me he had ben brought up to it from a child, so as to sing his part at first sight. Then speaking of Painting, of which he was also a greate

* There are different representations of this curios scene, both in wood and copper-plate engravings.

lover, and other ingenious matters, he desir'd me to come oftener to him.

8. I went this evening to visite that greate and knowing virtuoso Mons^r Justell. The weather was set in to an absolute thaw and raine, but y^e Thames still frozen.

10. After eight weekes missing the foraine posts, there came abundance of intelligence from abroad.

12. The Earle of Danby, late Lord Treasurer, together with the Roman Catholic Lords impeach'd of High Treason in the Popish Plot, had now their Habeas Corpus, and came out upon baile, after five yeares imprisonment in the Tower. Then were also tried and deeply fin'd Mr. Hampden and others for being suppos'd of the late Plot, for which Lord Russell and Col. Sidney suffer'd; as also the person who went about to prove that the Earle of Essex had his throat cut in the Tower by others; likewise Mr. Johnson, the author of that famous piece called Julian.

15. Newes of the Prince of Orange having accus'd the Deputies of Amsterdam of Crimen lesæ Majestatis, and being Pensioners to France.

Dr. Tenison communicated to me his intention of erecting a Library in St. Martin's parish, for the publiq use, and desir'd my assistance with S^r Christ^r Wren about the placeing and structure thereof. A worthy and laudable designe. He told me there were 30 or 40 young men in Orders in his parish, either Governors to young gentlemen, or Chaplains to noblemen, who being reprov'd by him on occasion for frequenting taverns or coffee-houses, told him they would study or employ their time better if they had books. This put the pious Doctor on this designe; and indeede a greate reproch it is that so greate a City as London should not have a publiq Library becoming it. There ought to be one at St. Paules; the West end of that church (if ever finish'd), would be a convenient place.

23. I went to Sir John Cherdine, who desired my assistance for the engraving the plates, the translation, and printing his History of that wonderfull Persian Monument neare Persepolis, and other rare antiquities, which he had caus'd to be drawne from the originals in his second journey into Persia, which we now concluded upon. After-

wards I went with S^r Christ^r Wren to D^r Tenison, where we made the drawing and estimate of the expence of the Library, to be begun this next Spring neere the Mewes*.

Greate expectation of the Prince of Orange's attempts in Holland to bring those of Amsterdam to consent to the new levies, to which we were no friends, by a pseudo-politic adherence to the French interest.

26. Came to visite me Dr. Turner, our new Bishop of Rochester.

28. I din'd at Lady Tuke's, where I heard D^r Walgrave (Physitian to y^e Duke and Dutchesse) play excellently on the lute.

7 March. Dr. Meggot, Deane of Winchester, preached an incomparable sermon, (the King being now gone to New-market,) on 12 Heb. 15. shewing and pathetically pressing the care we ought to have least we come short of the grace of God. Afterwards I went to visite Dr. Tenison at Kensington, whither he was retired to refresh after he had ben sick of the small pox.

15. At White-hall preached Mr. Henry Godolphin, a prebend of St. Paules, and brother to my deare friend Sydnie, on 55 Isaiah 7. I dined at the Lord Keeper's, and brought to him Sir John Chardin, who shewed him his accurate draughts of his travells in Persia.

28. There was so greate a concourse of people with their children to be touch'd for the Evil, that 6 or 7 were crush'd to death by pressing at the Chirurgeon's doore for tickets. The weather began to be more mild and tolerable, but there was not the least appearance of any Spring.

30. Easter day. The Bp. of Rochester [Dr. Turner] preach'd before the King; after which his Ma^y, accompanied with three of his natural sons, the Dukes of Northumberland, Richmond, and St. Alban's (sons of Portsmouth, Cleaveland, and Nelly), went up to the Altar; y^e three boyes entering before the King within the railes, at the right hand, and three Bishops on the left, viz. London (who officiated), Durham, and Rochester, with the Sub-dean Dr. Holder. The King

* There is now (1617) a handsome room well furnished with books, under the care of the Vicar of St. Martin's, in Castle-street, near the Mews gate. Sion College is more peculiarly appropriated to the Clergy in the City.

kneeling before the Altar, making his offering, the Bishops first receiv'd, and then his Ma^v; after which he retir'd to a canopied seate on the right hand. Note, there was perfume burnt before the Office began. I had receiv'd y^e Sacrament at White-hall early with the Lords and Household, y^e Bp. of London officiating. Then went to St. Martin's, where Dr. Tenison preach'd (recover'd from y^e small-pox); then went againe to White-hall as above. In the afternoone went to St. Martin's againe.

4 April. I return'd home with my family to my house at Ssays Court, after five months residence in London; hardly the least appearance of any Spring.

30. A Letter of mine to the Royal Society concerning the terrible effects of the past winter being read; they desired it might be printed in the next Part of their Transactions*.

10 May. I went to visite my brother in Surrey. Call'd by the way at Ashted, where S^r Rob^t Howard (Auditor of the Exchequer) entertain'd me very civilly at his new built house, which stands in a Park on the Downe, the avenue South; tho' downe hill to the house, which is not greate, but with the outhouses very convenient. The staire-case is painted by Verrio with the storie of Astraea; amongst other figures is the Picture of the Painter himselfe, and not malise him; the rest is well done, onely the columns did not at all please me; there is also Sir Robert's own Picture in an oval; the whole in *fresca*. The place has this greate defect, that there is no water but what is drawn up by horses from a very deepe well.

11. Visited Mr. Higham, who was ill, and died 3 days after. His grandfather and father (who christen'd me), with himselfe, had now ben Rectors of this parish 101 years, *viz.* from May 1583.

12. I return'd to London, where I found the Commissioners of the Admiralty abolish'd, and the office of Admiral restor'd to y^e Duke, as to the disposal and ordering all Sea businesse; but his Ma^v sign'd all Petitions, Papers, Warrants, and Commissions, that the Duke, not

* This was done in No. 159. See it in length in Dr. Kipps new edition of the *Blog. Brit.* vol. V. p. 623.

acting as Admiral by commission or office, might not incur the penalty of the late Act against Papists and Dissenters holding offices, and refusing the Oath and Test. Every one was glad of this change, those in the late Commission being utterly ignorant in their duty, to the greate damage of the Navy.

The utter ruine of the Low Country was threaten'd by the siege of Luxembergh, if not timely reliev'd, and by the obstinacy of the Hollanders, who refus'd to assist the Prince of Orange, being corrupted by the French.

16. I received £.600 of S^r Charles Bickerstaff for the fee-farm of Pilton in Devon.

26. Lord Dartmouth was chosen Master of the Trinity Company, newly return'd with the fleet from blowing up and demolishing Tangier. In the sermon preach'd on this occasion, Dr. Can observ'd that, in the 27th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, the casting anchor out of the fore-ship had been cavill'd at as betraying total ignorance; that it is very true our seamen do not do so, but in the Mediterranean their ships were built differently from ours, and to this day it was the practice to do so there.

Luxembergh was surrender'd to the French, which makes them master of all the Netherlonda, gives them entrance into Germany, and a fair game for universal monarchy; which that we should suffer, who only and easily might have hinder'd, astonish'd all the world. Thus is the poor Prince of Orange ruin'd, and this nation and all the Protestant interest in Europe following, unlesse God in his infinite mercy, as by a miracle, interpose, and our greate ones alter their counsels. The French fleet were now besieging Genoa, but after burning much of that beautifull city with their bombs, went off with disgrace.

12 June. I went to advise and give directions about the building two streetes in Berkeley Gardens, reserving the house and as much of the garden as the breadth of the house. In the meane time I could not but deplore that sweete place (by far the most noble gardens, courts, and accommodations, stately porticos, &c. any where about the towne) should be so much straighten'd and turn'd into tenements. But that magnificent pile and gardens contiguous to it, built by the late Lord Chancellor Cl-

rendon, being all demolish'd, and design'd for Piazzas and buildings, was some excuse for my Lady Berkeley's resolution of letting out her ground also for so excessive a price as was offer'd, advancing neare £1000 per ann. in mere ground-rents; to such a mad intemperance was the age come of building about a citty, by far too disproportionate already to the nation *: I having in my time seen it almost as large again as it was within my memory.

11. My cousin Verney, to whom a very greate fortune was fallen, came to take leave of us, going into the country; a very worthy and virtuous young gentleman.

22. Last Friday Sir Tho. Armstrong was executed at Tyburn for treason, without tryal, having ben outlaw'd and apprehended in Holland, on the conspiracy of the Duke of Monmouth, Lord Russell, &c. which gave occasion of discourse to people and lawyers, in regard it was on an outlawry that judgment was given and execution †.

2 July. I went to the Observatory at Greenwich, where Mr. Flamsted tooke his observations of the eclipse of the sun, now almost three parts obscured.

There had been an excessive hot and dry Spring, and such a drought still continu'd as never was in my memorie.

13 July. Some small sprinkling of raine; the leaves dropping from the trees as in Autumn.

25. I din'd at Lord Falkland's, Treasurer of the Navy, where after dinner we had rare musiq, there being, amongst others, Sign' Pietro Reggio, and Sig' Johu Battist, both famous, one for his voice, the other for playing on y^e harpsicord, few if any in Europa exceeding him. There was also a Frenchman who sung an admirable basse.

26. I return'd home where I found my Lord Cheife Justice [Jeffe-ries], the Countesse of Clarendon, and Lady Gath. Fitz-Gerald, who dined with me.

* What would Mr. Evelyn think if he saw what is now called London!

† When brought up for judgement Armstrong insisted on his right to a trial, the act giving that right to those who came in within a year, and the year was not expir'd. Jeffe-ries refused it; and when Armstrong insisted that he asked nothing but law, Jeffe-ries told him he should have it to the full, and ordered his execution in six days. When Jeffe-ries went to the King at Windsor soon after the trial, the King took a ring from his finger, and gave it to Jeffe-ries. Burton, II. 199.

10 Aug. We had now rain after such a drowth as no man in England had known.

24. Excessive hot. We had not had above one or two considerable showers, and those storms, these 8 or 9 months. Many trees died for the want of refreshment.

31. Mr. Sidney Godolphin was made Baron Godolphin.

26 Sept. The King being return'd from Winchester, there was a numerous Court at White-hall.

At this time the Earle of Rochester was remov'd from the Treasury to the Presidentship of the Council; Lord Godolphin was made first Commiss^r of the Treasury in his place; Lord Middleton (a Scot) made Secretary of State, in y^e room of Lord Godolphin. These alterations being very unexpected and mysterious, gave greate occasion of discourse.

There was now an Ambassador from y^e King of Siam in y^e the East Indies to his Majesty.

22 Oct. I went with S^r William Godolphin to see the Rhinoceros, or Unicorn, being the first that I suppose was ever brought into England. She belong'd to some East India merchants, and was sold (as I remember) for above £2000.

At the same time I went to see a Crocodile, brought from some of the West India islands, resembling the Egyptian Crocodile.

24 Oct. I din'd at Sir Stephen Fox's with the Duke of Northumberland. He seem'd to be a young gentleman of good capacity, well bred, civil, and modest: newly come from travell, and had made his campaigne at the siege of Luxemburg. Of all his Ma^ts children (of which he had now six Dukes) this seem'd the most accomplish'd and worth the owning. He is extraordinary handsome and well shap'd. What y^e Dukes of Richmond and St. Alban's will prove, their youth does not yet discover; they are very pretty boys.

26. Dr. Goodman preach'd before the King on 2 James 12. concerning the law of liberty: an excellent discourse and in good method. He is author of "The Prodigal Son," a treatise worth reading, and another of the old Religion.

28. I carried Lord Clarendon thro' the City, amidst all the squibbs and Bacchanalia of the Lord Maior's shew, to y^e Royal Society [at

Gresham Coll.] where he was propos'd a member; and then treated him at dinner.

I went to St. Clement's, that pretty built and contriv'd church, where a young divine gave us an eloquent Sermon on 1 Cor. 6. 20. inciting to gratitude and glorifying God for the fabriq of our bodys & the dignitie of our nature.

27. I visited the Lord Chamberlaine, where din'd the *black Baron* and Mons^r Flamerin, who had so long been banish'd France for a duel.

2 Nov. A suddaine change from temperate warme weather to an excessive cold raine, frost, snow, and storm, such as had seldom ben known. This Winter weather began as early and fierce as the past did late; till about Christmas there then had ben hardly any Winter.

4. Dr. Turner, now translated from Rochester to Ely upon the death of Dr. Peter Gunning; preached before the King at White-hall on 3 Romans 8; a very excellent sermon, vindicating the Church of England against the pernicious doctrines of the Church of Rome. He challenged the producing but of five Cleargymen who forsooke our Church and went over to that of Rome, during all the troublies & rebellion in England, which lasted neere twenty yeares; and this was to my certaine observation a greate truth.

15. Being the Queene's birth day, there were fire-works on the Thames before White-hall, with pageants of castles, forts, and other devices of gyrondolas, serpents, the King and Queene's armes and mottos, all represented in fire, such as had not ben seen here. But the most remarkable was the severall fires and skirmishes in the very water, which actually mov'd a long wny, burning under the water, now and then appering above it, giving reports like muskets and cannon, with granados and innumerable other devices. It is said it cost £.1500. It was concluded with a ball, where all the young ladys and gallants daunced in the greate hall. The Court had not ben scene so brave and rich in apparell since his Ma^y Restauration.

30. In the morning Dr. Fiennes, sonn of the Lord Say & Seale, preached before the King on 21 Joshua 11.

3 Dec. I carried Mr. Justell and Mr. Slingsby (Master of the Mint), to see Mr. Sheldon's collection of Medaills. The series of

Popea was rare, and so were several amongst the modernes, especially that of John Husse's martyrdome at Constance; of the Roman Emp: Consulars; some Greeke, &c. in copper, gold, and silver; not many truly antique; a medallion of Otho, P. AEmil. &c. hardly antient. They were held at a price of £.1000. but not worth, I judge, above £.200.

7. I went to see the new church at St. James's, elegantly built; the altaf was especially adorn'd, the white marble inclosure curiously and richly carved, the flowers and garlands about the walls by Mr. Gibbons in wood; a pelican with her young at her breast, just over the altar in the carv'd compartment and border, invironing the purple velvet string'd with I. H. S. richly embroider'd, and most noble plate, were given by S^r R. Geere, to the value (as was said) of £200. There was no altar any where in England, nor has there ben any abroad, more handsomely adorn'd.

17. Early in the morning I went into St. James's Park to see three Turkish or Asian horses, newly brought over, and now first shewed to his Ma^t. There were four, but one of them died at sea, being three weekes coming from Hamborow. They were taken from a Bashaw at the siege of Vienna, at the late famous raising that leaguer. I never beheld so delicate a creature as one of them was, of somewhat a bright bay, two white feet, a blaze; such a head, eyes, eares, neck, breast, belly, haunches, legs, pasterns, and feete, in all reguards beautifull and proportion'd to admiration; spirited, proud, nimble, making hault, turning with that swiftnesse, and in so small a compasse, as was admirable. With all this so gentle and tractable as call'd to mind what I remember Busbequius speakes of them, to the reproch of our groomes in Europe, who bring up their horses so churlishly as makes most of them retain their ill habits. They trotted like does, as if they did not feele the ground. 800 ginnies was demanded for the first; 300 for the second; and 200 for the third, w^{ch} was browne. All of them were choiceley shap'd, but the two last not altogether so perfect as the first. It was judg'd by the spectators, among whom was the King, Prince of Denmark, Duke of Yorke, and several of the Court, noble persons skill'd in horses, especially Mons. Faubert and his sonni, (provost masters of Y^r Academic, and esteem'd of the best in Europe,) that there were

never seen any horses in these parts to be compar'd with them. Add to all this, the furniture, consisting of embroidery on the saddle, housings, quiver, bow, arrows, scymeter, sword, mace, or battle-axe à la Turcise; the Bashaw's velvet mantle furr'd with the most perfect ermine I ever beheld; all which, yron-worke in common furniture, being here of silver, curiously wrought and double gilt, to an incredible value. Such and so extraordinary was the embroidery, that I never saw any thing approaching it. The reins and headstall were of crimson silk, cover'd with chaines of silver gilt. There was also a Turkish royal standard of an horse's taile, together with all sorts of other caparisons belonging to a general's horse, by which one may estimate how gallantly and magnificently those infidels appear in the field, for nothing could be seen more glorious. The gentleman (a German) who rid the horse was in all this garb. They were shod with yron made round and closed at the heele, with a hole in the middle about as wide as a shilling. The hoofes most intire.

18. Dec. I went with Lord Cornwallis to see the young gallants do their exercise, Mr. Faubert having newly rail'd in a manege, and fitted it for the academy. There were the Dukes of Norfolk and Northumberland, Lord Newburgh, and a nephew of (Duras) Earle of Faversham. The exercises were, 1, running at the ring; 2, flinging a javelin at a Moor's head; 3, discharging a pistol at a mark; lastly, taking up a gauntlet with the point of a sword; all these perform'd in full speede. The D. of Northumberland hardly miss'd of succeeding in every one, a dozen times, as I think. The D. of Norfolk did exceeding bravely. Lords Newburgh and Duras seem'd nothing so dextrous. Here I saw the difference of what the French call "*belle homme à cheval*," and "*bon homme à cheval*;" the Duke of Norfolk being the first, that is, rather a fine person on a horse, the Duke of Northumberland being both in perfection, namely, a graceful person and excellent rider. But the Duke of Norfolk told me he had not ben at this exercise these 12 yeares before. There were in the field y^e Prince of Denmark, and the Lord Lansdown, sonn of y^e Earle of Bath, who had ben made a Count of y^e Empire last Summer for his service before Vienna.

20. A villainous murder was perpetrated by Mr. St. John, eldest son to St. Walter St. John, a worthy gentleman, on a knight of quality*, in a tavern. The offender was sentenc'd and repriev'd. So many horrid murders and duels were committed about this time as were never before heard of in England, which gave much cause of complaint and murmurings.

1685, 1 Jan. It prov'd so sharp weather, and so long and cruel a frost, that the Thames was frozen acrosse, but the frost was often dissolv'd, and then froze again.

21. A young man preached upon 13 St. Luke 5. after the Presbyterian tedious method and repetition.

24. I din'd at Lord Newport's, who has some excellent pictures, especially that of *Sr Tho. Hanmer*, by Van Dyke, one of the best he ever painted; another of our English Dobson's painting; but above all, *Christ in the Virgin's lap* by Poussin, an admirable piece, with something of most other famous hands.

25. Dr. Dove preach'd before y^e King. I saw this evening such a scene of profuse gaming, and the King in the midst of his three concubines, as I had never before seen. Luxurious dallying and prophaneness.

27. I din'd at Lord Sunderland's, being invited to heare that celebrated voice of Mr. Pordage, newly come from Rome; his singing was after the Venetian recitative, as masterly as could be, and with an excellent voice both treble and basse; Dr. Walgrave accompanied it with his *theorba lute*, on which he perform'd beyond imagination, and is doubtless one of the greatest masters in Europe on that charming instrument. Pordage is a priest, as Mr. Bernard Howard told me in private.

There was in the roome where we din'd; and in his bed-chamber, those incomparable pieces of *Columbus*, a *Flagellation*, the *Grammar-*

* Sir William Estcourt. It was in a sudden quarrel, and there was doubt whether it was more than manslaughter; but he was advised to plead guilty, and then had a pardon, for which he paid £1,000. Exactly 100 years before, one of his family was tried for a similar offence, acquitted, but obliged to go abroad, though he was afterwards employed. Manning and Bray's Hist. of Surrey, III. 230. App. cxx.

schoole, the *Venus and Adonis* of Titian; and of Vandyke's that picture of the late *E. of Digby* (father of y^e Countess of Sunderland), and *Earle of Bedford, S^r. Kenelm Digby*, and two Ladys of incomparable performance; besides that of *Moses and the burning bush* of Bassano, and several other pieces of y^e best masters. A marble head of M. Brutus, &c.

28. I was invited to my Lord Arundel of Wardour, (now newly releas'd of his 6 yeares confinement in y^c Tower on suspicion of the Plot call'd Oates's Plot,) where after dinner the same Mr. Pordage entertain'd us with his voice, that excellent and stupendous artist Sign^r Jo. Baptist playing to it on the harpsichord. My daughter Mary being with us, she also sung to the greate satisfaction of both the masters, and a world of people of quality present.

She did so also at my Lord Rochester's the evening following, where we had the French Boy so fam'd for his singing, and indeede he had a delicate voice, and had ben well taught. I also heard Mrs. Packer (daughter to my old friend) sing before his Ma^v and the Duke, privately, that stupendous basse Gosling accompanying her, but hers was so loud as tooke away much of the sweetnesse. Certainly never woman had a stronger or better eare, could she possibly have govern'd it. She would do rarely in a large church among the nuns.

4 Feb. I went to London, hearing his Ma^v had ben the Monday before (2 Feb.) surpriz'd in his bed-chamber with an apoplectic fit, so that if, by God's providence, Dr. King (that excellent chirurgeon as well as physitian) had not ben accidentally present to let him blood (having his lancet in his pocket) his Ma^v had certainly died that moment, which might have ben of direful consequence, there being nobody else present with the King save this Doctor and one more, as I am assur'd. It was a mark of the extraordinary dexterity, resolution, and presence of mind in the D^r, to let him blood in the very paroxysm, without staying the coming of other physitians, which regularly should have ben don, and for want of which he must have a regular pardon, as they tell me*. This reseñ'd his Ma^v for the instant, but it was

* The Priy Council approved of what he had done, and ordered him £1000, but which was never paid him. Burnet, H. 1010. — There are two fine portraits of Dr. King engraved, And in mezzotinto, in which the above instance of his skill and promptitude is noticed.

only a short reprise. He still complain'd, and was relapsing, often fainting, with sometimes epileptic symptoms, till Wednesday, for which he was cupp'd, let blood in both jugulars, had both vomit and purges, w^tch so reliev'd him that on Thursday hopes of recovery were signified in the publiq Gazette, but that day, about noone, the physitians thought him feaverish. This they seem'd glad of, as being more easily allay'd and methodically dealt with than his former fits; so as they prescrib'd the famous Jesuits powder: but it made him worse, and some very able Doctors who were present did not think it a fever, but the effect of his frequent bleeding and other sharp operations us'd by them about his head, so that probably the powder might stop the circulation, and renew his former fits, which now made him very weake. Thus he pass'd Thursday night with greate difficulty, when complaining of a paine in his side, they drew 12 ounces more of blood from him; this was by 6 in the morning on Friday, and it gave him relief, but it did not continue, for being now in much paine, and strugling for breath, he lay dozing, and after some conflicts, the physitians despairing of him, he gave up the ghost at halse an hourre after eleven in the morning, being the 6 of February 1685, in the 36th yeare of his reigne, and 54th of his age.

Prayers were solemnly made in all the Churches, especially in both yr Court Chapells, where the Chaplaines reliev'd one another every halfe quarter of an hourre from the time he began to be in danger till he expir'd, according to the forme prescrib'd in the Church Offices. Those who assisted his Majesty's devotions were, the Ahp. of Canterbury, the Bishops of London, Durham, and Ely, but more especially Dr. Ken, the Bp. of Bath and Wells*. It is sayd they exceedingly urg'd the

* The account given of this by King James II. is, that when the King's life was wholly despaired of, and it was time to prepare for another world, two Bishops came to do their function, who reading the prayers appointed in the Common Prayer Book on that occasion, when they came to the place where usually they exhort a sick person to make a confession of his sins, the Bishop of Bath and Wells, who was one of them, advertized him. *It was not of obligation;* and after a short exhortation asked him, if he were sorry for his sins? which the King saying he was, the Bishop pronounced the abolition, and then asked him if he pleased to receive the Sacrament? to which the King made no reply, and being pressed by the Bishop several times, gave no other answer but that it was time enough, or that he would think of it. King James says that he stood

receiving the Holy Sacrament; but his Ma^y told them he would consider of it, which he did so long 'till it was too late. Others whisper'd that the Bishops and Lords, except the Earles of Bath and Feversham, being order'd to withdraw the night before, Hurlaton, the Priest, had presumed to administer the Popish Offices. He gave his breeches and keys to y^e Duke, who was almost continually kneeling by his bed-side, and in teares. He also recommended to him the care of his natural children, all except the Duke of Monmouth, now in Holland, and in his displeasure. He intreated the Queene to pardon him (not without cause); who a little before had sent a Bishop to excuse her not more frequently visiting him, in regard of her excessive grieve, and withall, that his Ma^y would forgive it if at any time she had offended him. He spake to y^e Duke to be kind to the Dutchesse of Cleaveland, and especialy Portsmouth, and that Nelly might not starve.

Thus died King Charles II. of a vigorous and robust constitution, and in all appearance promising a long life. He was a Prince of many virtues, and many greate imperfections; debonaire, easy of access, not bloudy nor cruel; his countenance fierce, his voice greate, proper of person, every motion became him; a lover of the sea, and skilfull in shipping; not affecting other studies, yet he had a laboratory, and knew of many empyrical medicines, and the easier mechanical mathematics; he lov'd planting and building, and brought in a politer way of living, which pass'd to luxury and intolerable expence. He had a particular talent in telling a story, and facetious passages, of which he had innumerable; this made some buffoons and vicious wretches too presumptuous and familiar, not worthy the favour they abus'd. He

all the while by the bed-side, and seeing the King would not receive the Sacrament from them, and knowing his sentiments, he desired the company to stand a little from the bed, and then asked the King whether he shouold send for a Priest, to which the King replied, 'For God's sake, brother, do, and lose no time.' The Duke said he would bring one to him; but none could be found except father Huddleston, who had been so assistant in the King's escape from Worcester; he was brought up by a back staircase, and the company were desirous to withdraw, but he (the Duke of York) not thinking fit that he should be left alone with the King, desired the Earl of Bath, a Lord of the Bedchamber, and the Earl of Faversham, Captain of the Guard, should stay; the rest being gone, father Huddleston was introduced, and administered the Sacrament.

Life of James II. p. 747.

tooke delight in having a number of little spaniels follow him and lie in his bedchamber, where he often suffer'd the bitches to puppy and give suck, which render'd it very offensive, and indeede made the whole Court nasty and stinking. He would doubtlesse have ben an excellent Prince, had he ben less addicted to women, who made him uneasy, and allways in want to supply their unmeasurable profusion, to y^e detriment of many indigent persons who had signaly serv'd both him and his father. He frequently and easily chang'd favorites, to his greate prejudice. As to other publiq transactions and unhappy miscarriages, 'tis not here I intend to number them; but certainly never had King more glorious opportunities to have made himselfe, his people, and all Europe happy, and prevented innumerable mischeifs, had not his too easy nature resign'd him to be manag'd by crafty men, and some abandon'd and profane wretches who corrupted his otherwise sufficient parts, disciplin'd as he had ben by many afflictions during his banishment, which gave him much experience and knowledge of men and things; but those wicked creatures took him off from all application becoming so greate a King. The history of his reigne will certainly be the most wonderfull for the variety of matter and accidents, above any extant in former ages: the sad tragical death of his father, his banishment and hardships, his miraculous restauration, conspiracies against him, parliaments, wars, plagues, fires, comets, revolutions abroad happening in his time, with a thousand other particulars. He was ever kind to me, and very gracious upon all occasions, and therefore I cannot, without ingratitudo, but deplore his losse, which for many respects as well as duty I do with all my soul.

His Majesty being dead, the Duke, now K. James II. went immediately to Council, and before entering into any businesse, passionately declaring his sorrow, told their Lordships that since the succession had fallen to him, he would endeavour to follow the example of his predecessor in his clemency and tendernesse to his people; that, however he had ben misrepresented as affecting arbitrary power, they should find the contrary, for that the Laws of England had made y^e King as greate a monarch as he could desire; that he would endeavor to maintain the Government both in Church and State, as by Law

establish'd, its principles being so firme for monarchy, and the members of it shewing themselves so good and loyal subjects*; and that as he would never depart from the just rights and prerogatives of y^r Crown, so would he never invade any man's property; but as he had often adventur'd his life in defence of the Nation, so he would still proceede, and preserve it in all its lawful rights and liberties.

This being the substance of what he said, the Lords desir'd it might be publish'd, as containing matter of greate satisfaction to a jealous people upon this change, which his Ma^y consented to. Then were the Counsel sworn, and a Proclamation order'd to be publish'd, that all Officers should continue in their stations, that there might be no failure of public justice, till his further pleasure should be known. Then the

* This is the substance and very nearly in the words given by King James II. in his MS. printed in his Life; but in that MS. are some words which Mr. Evelyn has omitted. Viz. after speaking of the Members of the Church of England as good and loyal subjects, the King adds, *and therefore I shall always take care to defend and support it.* The King then goes on to say, that being desired by some present to allow copies to be taken, he said he had not committed it to writing; on which Mr. Finch [then Solicitor General, afterwards Earl of Aylesford] replied, that what his Majesty had said had made so deep an impression on him, that he believed he could repeat the very words, and if his Majesty would permit him, he would write them down; which the King agreeing to, he went to a table and wrote them down, and this being shewn to the King, he approved of it, and it was immediately published.

The King then goes on to say; No one can wonder that Mr. Finch should word the speech as strong as he could in favour of the Established Religion, nor that the King in such a hurry should pass it over without reflection; for though his Majesty intended to promise both security to their religion and protection to their persons, he was afterwards convinced it had been better expressed by assuring them he never would endeavour to alter the established Religion, rather than that he would endeavour to preserve it, and that he would neither support and defend the professors of it, rather than the Religion itself; they could not expect he should make a conscience of supporting what in his conscience he thought erroneous; his engaging not to molest the professors of it, nor to deprive them or their successors of any spiritual dignity, revenue, or employment, but to suffer the ecclesiastical affairs to go on in the track they were in, was all they could wish or desire from a Prince of a different persuasion; but having once approved that way of expressing it which Mr. Finch had take choice of, he thought it necessary not to vary from it in the declarations or speeches he made afterwards, not doubting but the world would understand it in the meaning he intended.—The true afterwards it was pretended he kept not up to this engagement, but had they deviated no further from the duty and allegiance which both nature and repeated oaths obliged them to, than he did from his word, they had still remained as happy a people as they really were during his short reign in England. Vol. II. 495.

+ The words in italics were afterwards interlined by the earl of King James the Second. MSS.

King rose, the Lords accompanying him to his bed-chamber, where whist he repos'd himself, tired indeede as he was with grieve and watching, they return'd againe into the Council-chamber to take order for the proclaiming his Mat^y, which (after some debate) they consented should be in the very forme his grandfather K. James I. was, after y^e death of Queene Elizabeth; as likewise that the Lords, &c. should proceede in their coaches thro' the Citty for the more solemnity of it. Upon this was I, and severall other Gentlemen waiting in the Privy-gallerie, admitted into y^e Council-chamber to be witnesse of what was resolv'd on. Thence with the Lords, the Lord Marshall and Heraulds, and other Crowne Officers being ready, we first went to White-hall-gate, where the Lords stood on foote bare-headed, whilst the Herauld proclaim'd his Majesty's title to the Imperiall Crowne and Succession according to y^e forme, the trumpets and kettle-drums having first sounded 3 times, which ended with the people's acclamations. Then a Herauld call'd the Lords' coaches according to rank, myselfe accompanying the solemnity in my Lord Cornwallis's coach, first to Temple Barr, where the Lord Maior and his brethren met us on horseback, in all theire formalities, and proclaim'd the King; hence to the Exchange in Cornhill, and so we return'd in the order we set forth. Being come to White-hall, we all went and kiss'd the King and Queenes hands. He had ben on y^e bed, but was now risen and in his undresse. The Queen was in bed in her appartment, but put forth her hand, seeming to be mych afflicted, as I believe she was, having deportid herself so decently upon all occasions since she came into England, which made her universally belov'd.

Thus concluded this sad and not joyfull day.

I can never forget the inexpressible luxury and prophanenesse, gaming and all dissoluteness, and as it were total forgetfullnesse of God (it being Sunday eveuing) which this day se'nnight I was witnesse of, the King sitting and toying with his concubines, Portsmouth, Cleaveland and Mazarine, &c. a French boy singing love songs, in that glorious gallery, whist about 20 of the greate courtiers and other dissolute persons were at Bassett round a large table, a bank of at least 20000 m^t gold before them, upon which two gentlemen who were

with me made reflexions with astonishment. Six days after was all in the dust !

It was enjoy'd that those who put on mourning should wear it as for a father, in y^e most solemn manner.

10 Feb. Being sent to by the Sheriff of the County to appeare and assist in proclayming the King, I went the next day to Bromely, where I met the Sheriff and the Commander of the Keutish Troop, with an appearance, I suppose, of above 500 horse, and innumerable people, two of his Ma^y's trumpets and a Serjeant with other officers, who having drawn up the horse in a large field neere the towne, march'd thence, with swords drawne, to the market-place, where making a ring, after sound of trumpets and silence made, the High Sheriff read the proclaiming titles to his Bailiffe, who repeated them aloud, and then after many shouts of the people, his Ma^y's health being drunk in a flint glasse of a yard long, by the Sheriff, Commander, Officers and cheife Gentlemen, they all dispers'd, and I return'd.

13. I pass'd a sute on selling of Honson Grange in Staffordshire, being about £20 per ann., which lying so greate a distance I thought fit to part with it to one Burton, a farmer there. It came to me as part of my daughter-in-law's portion, this being but a fourth part of what was divided betweene y^e mother and three sisters.

14. The King was this night very obscurely buried* in a vault under Hen. 7th's Chapell at Westminster, without any manner of pomp, and soone forgotten after all this vanity, and the face of the whole Court was exceedingly chang'd into a more solemn und moral behaviour; the new King affecting neither prophanenesse nor buffoonery.

* The funeral could not be performed with so great solemnity as some persons expected, because his late Majesty dying in, and his present Majesty professing, a different Religion from that of his people, it had been a difficult matter to reconcile the greater ceremonies which must have been performed according to the Rites of the Church of England, with the obligation of not communicating with it in spiritual things; to avoid, therefore, either disputes on one hand, or scandal on the other, it was thought more prudent to do it in a more private manner, though at the same time there was no circumstance of state and pomp omitted, which possibly could be shewed of. All the Privy Council, alke the household, and all the Lord's great towne attended at the funeral. Life of King James II. vol. II. p. 6.

All the greate Officers broke their staves over the grave, according to form.

15. Dr. Tenison preach'd to the Household. The second sermon should have ben before the King; but he, to the greate grieve of his subjects, did now for the first time go to masse publickly in y^e little Oratorie at the Duke's lodgings, the doors being set wide open.

16. I din'd at S^r Rob^t Howard's. Auditor of the Exchequer, a gentleman pretending to all manner of arts and sciences, for which he had ben the subject of Comedy, under the name of Sir Positive; not ill-natured, but insufferably boasting. He was sonn to the late Earl of Berkshire.

17. This morning his Ma^y restor'd the staffe and key to Lord Arlington, Chamberlaine; to Mr. Savell, Vice-chamberlaine; to Lords Newport and Mainard, Treasurer and Comptroler of the Household; Lord Godolphin made Chamberlaine to y^e Queen; Lord Peterborow Groome of y^e Stole in place of the Earle of Bath; the Treasurer's staff to the Earle of Rochester; and his brother the Earle of Clarendon Lord Privie Seale in place of the Marquis of Halifax, who was made President of the Council; the Secretarys of State remaining as before.

19. The Lord Treasurer and y^e other new Officers were sworne at the Chancery Barr and the Exchequer.

The late King having the revenue of Excise, Costoms, and other late duties granted for his life only, they were now farmed and lett to severall persons, upon an opinion that the late King might lett them for three yeares after his decease; some of the old Commissioners refus'd to act. The lease was made but the day before the King died *; the major part of the Judges (but as some think not the best Lawyers) pronounce'd it legal, but four dissented.

The Clerk of the Closet had shut up the late King's private Oratorie next the Privy-chamber above, but the King caus'd it to be open'd againe, and that prayers should be said as formerly.

* King James, in his Life, makes no mention of this lease, but only says he continued to collect them, which judgment was not blamed; but on the contrary, he was thanked for it in an address from the Middle Temple, penned by Sir Bartholomew Shore, and presented by Sir Humphrey Middle Temple, carrying great authority with it; nor did the Parliament find fault. Vol. II. pp. 16, 17.

22. Several most useful Tracts against Dissenters, Papists, and Fanatics, and Resolutions of Cases, were now published by the London Divines.

4 Mar. Ash-Wednesday; after evening prayers I went to London.

5. To my griefe I saw the new pulpit set up in the Popish Oratorie at White-hall for the Lent preaching, masse being publicly said, and the Romanists swarming at Court with greater confidence than had ever ben seene in England since the Reformation, so as every body grew jealous to what this would tend.

A Parliament was now summon'd, and greate industry us'd to obtaine elections which might promote the Court interest, most of the Corporations being now by their new Charters impower'd to make what returnes of members they pleas'd.

There came over divers envoyes and greate persons to condole the death of the late King, who were receiv'd by the Queene Dowager on a bed of mourning; the whole chamber, cieling and floore hung with black, and tapers were lighted, so as nothing could be more lugubrious and solemne. The Queene Consort sat out under a state on a black foot-cloth, to entertaine the circle (as the Queene us'd to do), and that very decently.

6. Lent Preachers continu'd as formerly in the Royal Chapell.

7. My daughter Mary was taken with the small pox, and there soon was found no hope of her recovery. A very greate affliction to me: but God's holy will be done.

10. She receiv'd the blessed Sacrement; after which, disposing herselfe to suffer what God should determine to inflict, she bore the remainder of her sicknesse with extraordinary patience and piety, and more than ordinary resignation and blessed frame of mind. She died the 14th, to our unspeakable sorrow and affliction, and not to ours onely, but that of all who knew her, who were many of the best quality, greatest and most virtuous persons. The justnesse of her stature, person, comeliness of countenance, gracefullnesse of motion, unaffected tho' more than ordinary beautifull, were the least of her ornaments compared with those of her mind. Of early piety, singularly religious, spending a part of evry day in private devotion, reading, and other vertuous exer-

cises ; she had collected and written out many of the most usefull and judicious periods of the books she read in a kind of common-place, as out of Dr. Hammond on the New Testament, and most of the best practical treatises. She had read and digested a considerable deale of history and of places. The French tongue was as familiar to her as English ; she understood Italian, and was able to render a laudable account of what she read and observed, to which assisted a most faithful memory and discernment ; and she did make very prudent and discrete reflexions upon what she had observed of the conversations among which she had at any time been, which being continually of persons of the best quality, she thereby improved. She had an excellent voice, to which she play'd a thorough-bass on the harpsichord, in both which she arrived to that perfection, that of the schollars of those two famous masters Signors Pietro and Bartholomeo she was esteem'd the best ; for the sweetnesse of her voice and management of it added such an agreeableness to her countenance, without any constraint or concerne, that when she sung, it was as charming to the eye as to the eare ; this I rather note, because it was a universal remarke, and for which so many noble and judicious persons in musiq desired to heare her, the last being at Lord Arundel's of Wardour (see p. 543). What shall I say, or rather not say, of the cheerfullness and agreeableness of her humour ? condescending to the meanest servant in the family, or others, she still kept up respect, without the least pride. She would often reade to them, examine, instruct, and pray with them if they were sick, so as she was exceedingly beloved of every body. Piety was so prevalent an ingredient in her constitution (as I may say) that even amongst equals and superiors she no sooner became intimately acquainted, but she would endeavour to improve them, by insinuating something of religious, and that tended to bring them to a love of devotion ; she had one or two confidents with whom she used to passe whole dayes in fasting, reading, and prayers, especially before the monethly communion and other solemn occasions. She abhor'd flattery, and tho' she had abundance of witt, the raillery was so innocent and ingenuous that it was most agreeable ; she sometimes would see a play, but since the stage grew licentious, exprest herselfe weary of them, and the time spent at the theater was

an unaceountable vanity. She never play'd at cards without extreme importunity and for the company, but this was so very seldom, that I cannot number it among any thing she could name a fault. No one could read prose or verse better or with more judgment; and as she read, so she writ, not only most correct orthography, with that maturite of judgment and exactnesse of the periods, choice of expressions, and familiaritie of stile, that some letters of hers have astonish'd me and others to whom she has occasionally written. She had a talent of rehersing any comical part or poeme, as to them she might be decently free with was more pleasing than heard on y^e theater; she daunc'd with the greatest grace I had ever seene, and so would her master say, who was Mons^t Isaac; but she seldom shew'd that perfection, save in the gracefullnesse of her carriage, which was with an aire of spritely modestie not easily to be described. Nothing affected, but natural and easy as well in her deportment as in her discourse, which was always materiall, not trifling, and to which the extraordinary sweetnesse of her tone, even in familiar speaking, was very charming. Nothing was so pretty as her descending to play with little children, whom she would caresse and humour with greate delight. But she most affected to be with grave and sober men, of whom she might learne something, and improve herself. I have ben assisted by her in reading and praying by me; comprehensive of uncommon notions, curious of knowing every thing to some excesse, had I not sometimes repressed it. Nothing was so delightfull to her as to go into my study, where she would willingly have spent whole dayes, for as I sayd she had read abundance of history, and all the best poets, even Terence, Plautus, Homer, Virgil, Horace, Ovid; all the best romances and modern poemes; she could compose happily, and put in pretty symbols, as in the *Mundus Mulieris* *, wherein is an enumeration of the immense variety of the modes and ornaments belonging to the sex; but all these are vaine trifles to the virtues which ador'd her soule; she was sincerely religious, most dutifull to her parents, whom she lov'd with an affection temper'd with greate esteeme, so as we were easy and free, and never were so well

* A poem of Mrs. Evelyn's.

pleas'd as when she was with us, nor needed we other conversation ; she was kind to her sisters, and was still improving them by her constant course of piety. Oh deare, sweete, and desireable child, how shall I part with all this goodness and virtue without the bitternes of sorrow and reluctancy of a tender parent ! Thy affection, duty, and love to me was that of a friend as well as a child. Nor lesse deare to thy mother, whose example and tender care of thee was unparelleld, nor was thy returne to her lesse conspicuous ; Oh ! how she mourns thy loss ! how desolate hast thou left us ! To the grave shall we both carry thy memory !

God alone (in whose bosom thou art at rest and happy !) give us to resigne thee and all our contentments (for thou indeede wert all in this world) to his blessed pleasure ! Let him be glorified by our subission, and give us grace to blesse him for the graces he implanted in thee, thy virtuous life, pious and holy death, which is indeede the onely comfort of our soules, hastening thro' the infinite love and mercy of the Lord Jesus to be shortly with thee, deare child, and with thee and those blessed saints like thee, glorifye the Redeemer of the world to all eternity ! Amen !

It was in the 19th year of her age that this sicknesse happen'd to her. An accident contributed to this disease ; she had an apprehension of it in particular, and which struck her but two days before she came home, by an imprudent gentlewoman whom she went with Lady Falkland to visite, who after they had ben a good while in the house, told them she had a servant sick of the small pox (who indeede died the next day); this my poore child acknowledg'd made an impression on her spirits. There were fourt gentlemen of quality offering to treate with me about marriage, and I freely gave her her owne choice, knowing her discretion. She showed great indifference to marrying at all, for truly, says she to her mother (the other day), were I assur'd of your life and my deare father's, never would I part from you ; I love you and this home, where we serve God, above all things, nor ever shall I be so happy ; I know and consider the vicissitudes of the world, I have some experiance of its vanities, and but for decency more than inclination, and that you judge it expedient for me, I would not change my condi-

tion, but rather add the fortune you designe me to my sisters, and keepe up the reputation of our family. This was so discreetly and sincerely utter'd that it could not but procede from an extraordinary child, and one who lov'd her parents beyond example.

At London she tooke this fatal disease, and the occasion of her being there was this; my Lord Viscount Falkland's Lady having been our neighbour (as he was Treasurer of the Navy), she tooke so greate an affection to my daughter, that when they went back in the autumn to the City, nothing would satisfie their incessant importunity but letting her accompany my Lady, and staying sometime with her; it was with y^e greatest reluctance I complied. Whilst she was there, my Lord being musical, when I saw my Lady would not part with her till Christmas, I was not unwilling she should improve the opportunity of learning of Sign^r Pietro, who had an admirable way both of composure and teaching. It was the end of February before I could prevail with my Lady to part with her; but my Lord going into Oxfordshire to stand for Knight of the Shire there, she express'd her wish to come home, being tir'd of y^e vain and empty conversation of the towne, y^e theatres, the court, and trifling visites w^{ch} consum'd so much precious time, and made her sometimes misse of that regular course of piety that gave her y^e greatest satisfaction. She was weary of this life, and I think went not thrice to Court all this time, except when her mother or I carried her. She did not affect shewing herself, she knew y^e Court well, and pass'd one summer in it at Windsor with Lady Tuke one of the Queene's women of the bed chamber (a most virtuous relation of hers); she was not fond of that glittering scene, now become abominably licentious, though there was a designe of Lady Rochester and Lady Clarendon to have made her a maid of honour to the Queene as soon as there was a vacancy. But this she did not set her heart upon, nor indeede on any thing so much as the service of God, a quiet and regular life, and how she might improve herself in the most necessary accomplishments, and to w^{ch} she was arriv'd at so greate a measure.

This is y^e little history and imperfect character of my deare child, whose piety, virtue, and incomparable endowments deserve a monument more durable than brass and marble. Precious is the material

of her just. Much I could enlarge on every period of this hasty ac-
count; but that I easse and discharge my overcoming passion for the
present, so many things worthy an excellent Christian and dutifull
child crowding upon me. Never can I say enough, oh deare, my deare
child, whose memory is so precious to me !

This deare child was born at Wotton in the same house and chamber
in which I first drew my breath, my wife having retir'd to my brother
there in the great sicknesse that yeare upon the first of that moneth, and
neere the very hourre that I was borne, upon the last: *viz.* October.

16 March. She was interr'd in the South-east end of the Church at
Deptford, neere her grandmother and severall of my younger children
and relatives. My desire was she should have ben carried and layed
among my own parents and relations at Wotton, where I desire to be
interr'd myselfe, when God shall call me out of this uncertainte transi-
tory life, but some circumstances did not permit it. Our vicar Dr.
Holden preach'd her funeral sermon on 1 Phil. 21. "For to me to
live is Christ and to die is gaine," upon which he made an apposite
discourse, as those who heard it assur'd me (for grieve suffer'd me not
to be present), concluding with a modest recital of her many virtues
and signal piety, so as to draw both teares and admiration from the
hearers. I was not altogether unwilling that something of this sort
should be spoken, for the edification and encouragement of other young
people.

Divers noble persons honour'd her funeral, some in person, others
sending their coaches, of w^{ch} there were six or seven with six horses,
viz. the Countesse of Sunderland, Earle of Clarendon, Lord Godol-
phin, S^r Stephen Fox, S^r W^m Godolphin, Viscount Falkland, and
others. There were distributed amongst her friends about 60 rings.

Thus liv'd, died, and was buried the joy of my life, and ornament
of my sex, and of my poore family ! God Almighty of his infinite
mercy grant me the grace thankfully to resigne myselfe and all I have,
or had, to his Divine pleasure, and in his good time, restoring health
and comfort to my family: "teach me so to number my days that I
may apply my heart to wisdom," be prepar'd for my dissolution, and
trust in the hands of my blessed Saviour, I may recommend my
spirit! Amen!

On looking into her closet, it is incredible what a number of collections she had made from historians, poete, travellers, &c. but above all devotions, contemplations, and resolutions on these contemplations, found under her hand in a booke most methodically dispos'd; prayers, meditations, and devotions on particular occasions, with many pretty letters to her confidants; one to a divine (not nam'd) to whom she writes that he would be her ghostly father, and would not despise her for her many errors and the imperfections of her youth, but beg of God to give her courage to acquaint him with all her faults, imploring his assistance and spiritual directions. I well remember she had often desir'd me to recommend her to such a person, but I did not think fit to do it as yet, seeing her apt to be scrupulous, and knowing the great innocency and integrity of her life.

It is astonishing how one who had acquired such substantial and practical knowledge in other ornamental parts of education, especially music both vocal and instrumental, in dancing, paying and receiving visites, and necessary conversation, could accomplish halfe of what she has left; but as she never affected play or cards, which consume a world of precious time, so she was in continual exercise, which yet abated nothing of her most agreeable conversation. But she was a little miracle while she liv'd, and so she died!

26 Mar. I was invited to the funerall of Capt. Gunnan, that excellent pilot and seaman, who had behav'd himself so valiantly in the Dutch warr. He died of a gangrene, occasion'd by his fall from the pier of Calais. This was the Captain of the yatch carrying the Duke (now King) to Scotland, and was accused for not giving timely warning when she split on the sands, where so many peris'd; but I am most confident he was no ways guilty, either of negligence or designe, as he made appeare not onely at the examination of the matter of fact, but in the Vindication he shew'd me, and which must needs give any man of reason satisfaction. He was a sober, frugal, chearfully and temperate man; we have few such common men.

8 April. Being now somewhat compos'd after my greate affliction, I went to London to hear Dr. Fellowm (it being on a Wednesday in Lent) at White-hall. I observ'd that thro' the King was not in the

seat above in the chapell, the Doctor made his three congees, which they were not us'd to do when the late King was absent, making then one bowing onely. I ask'd the reason ; it was sayd he had a special order so to do. The Princesse of Denmark was in the King's Closet, but sat on the left hand of the chaire, the Clarke of the Closet standing by His Ma^{ys} chaire, as if he had ben present.

I met the Queene Dowager going now first from White-hall to dwell at Somerset-house.

This day my brother of Wotton and Mr. Onslow were candidates for Surrey against S^r Adam Brown and my cousin S^r Edw^d Evelyn, and were circumvented in their election by a trick of the Sheriff's* taking advantage of my brother's party going out of the small village of Leatherhead to seek shelter and lodging, the afternoone being tempestuous, proceeding to the Election when they were gon ; they expecting the next morning ; whereas before and then they exceeded the other party by many hundreds, as I am assur'd. The Duke of Norfolk led S^r Edw. Evelyn's and S^r Adam Brown's party. For this Parliament, very meane and slight persons (some of them gentlemen's servants, clearkes, and persons neither of reputation nor interest) were set up, but the country would choose my brother whether he would or no, and he miss'd it by the trick above mention'd. S^r Adam Brown was so deafe that he could not heare one word. S^r Edw. Evelyn † was an honest gent^m much in favour with his Majesty.

10. I went early to White-hall to heare Dr. Tillotson, Deane of Canterbury, preaching on 9 Eccles. 18. I returned in the evening, and visited Lady Tuke, and found with her Sir Geo. Wakeman, the physician, whom I had seene tried and acquitted ‡, amongst the plotters for poisoning the late King, on the accusation of the famous Oates ; and surely I believ'd him guiltless.

* Mr. Samuel Lewen. His name does not appear in the History of Surrey amongst the landowners, but it is there stated that in 1709 Sir William Lewen purchased the rectory of Ewel, and that he was Lord Mayor of London in 1717. Vol. I. 470.

† His seat was at Long Ditton, near Kingston, which town had surrendered their charter to King Charles II. about a month before his death. King James appointed Sir Edward Evelyn one of the new Corporation.

14. According to my costome I went to London to passe the holy weeke.

17. Good Friday. Dr. Tenison preached at the new church at St. James's, on 1 Cor. 16, 22, upon the infinite love of God to us, which he illustrated in many instances. The holy Sacrament followed, at which I participated. The Lord make me thankfull. In the afternoon Dr. Sprat, Bp. of Rochester, preached in Whitehall Chapell, the auditory very full of Lords, the two Archbishops, and many others, now drawne to towne upon the occasion of the Coronation and ensuing Parliament. I supp'd with the Countesse of Sundorland and Lord Godolphin, and return'd home.

23. Was the Coronation of the King and Queene. The solemnity was magnificent, as is set forth in print. The Bp. of Ely preach'd; but, to the greate sorrow of the people, no Sacrament, as ought to have ben. However the King begins his reigne with greate expectations, and hopes of much reformation as to the late vices and prophanenesse both of Court and Country. Having ben present at the late King's Coronation, I was not ambitious of seeing this ceremonie.

3 May. A young man preach'd, going chaplain with Sir Jo. Wiburn, Governor of Bombay in the East Indies.

7. I was in Westm' Hall when Oates, who had made such a stir in the kingdom, on his revealing a Plot of the Papists, and alarm'd several Parliaments, and had occasioned the execution of divers Priests, Nodlemen*, &c. was tried for perjurie at the King's Bench; but being very tedious, I did not endeavour to see the issue, considering that it would be published. Abundance of Roman Catholics were in the Hall in expectation of the most gratafull cognition and raigne of a person who had ben so obnoxious to them, and as I verily believe, had done much mischeife and greate injury to several by his violent and ill-grounded proceedings; whilst he was at first so unreasonably blowne up and encouraged, that his insolence was no longer sufferable.

Mr. Roger L'Estrange (a gentleman whom I had long known, and a person of excellent parts abating some affectations) appearing first

against the Dissenters in several Tracts, had now for some yeares turn'd his style against those whom (by way of hateful distinction) they call'd Whiggs and Trimmers, under the title of Observator, which came out 3 or 4 days every weeke, in which sheets, under pretence to serue the Church of England, he gave suspicion of gratifying another party, by several passages which rather kept up animosities than appeas'd them, especialy now that nobody gave the least occasion*.

10. The Scots valuing themselves exceedingly to have ben y^e first Parliament call'd by his Ma^r, gave the Excise and Costomes to him and his successors for ever; y^e D. of Queensberry making eloquent speeches, and especialy minding them of a speedy suppression of those late desperate Field-Conventiclers who had done such unheard-of assassinations. In the meane time elections for the ensuing Parliament in England were thought to be very indirectly carried on in most places. God grant a better issue of it than some expect!

16. Oates was sentenced to be whipped and pilloried with the utmost severity.

21 May. I din'd at my Lord Privy Seal's with S^r. W^m Dugdale, Garter King at Armes, author of the Monasticon and other learned workes: he told me he was 82 yeares of age, and had his sight and memory perfect†. There was shewn a draught of y^e exact shape and dimensions of the Crowne the Queene had beene crown'd withall, together with the jewells and pearles; their weight and value, wh^{ch} amounted to £100,658 sterl^g, attested at the foote of the paper by the jeweller and goldsmith who sett them.

22. In the morning I went with a French gentleman, and my Lord Privy Seal, to the House of Lords, where we were plac'd by his lordship next the Bar, just below y^e Bishops, very commodiously both

* In the first Dutch war, whilst Mr. Evelyn was one of the Commissioners for sick and wounded, Mr. L'Estrange in his Gazette mentioned the barbarous usage of the Dutch prisoners of war; Mr. Evelyn wrote him a very spirited letter, desiring that the Dutch Ambassador (who was then in England) and his friends would visit the prisoners, and examine their provisions; and he desired Mr. L'Estrange would publish his vindication in his next number.

† Sir Isaac Heard, the present Garter King at Armes, is about the same age, and in equal possession of his faculties (1916.)

for hearing and seeing. After a short space came in y^e Queens and Princesse of Denmark, and stood next above the Archbishops, at the side of the House on the right hand of the throne. In the interim divers of the Lords, who had not finish'd before, tooke the Test and usual Oathes; so that her Maj^y, the Spanish and other Ambassadors, who stood behind the throne, heard the Pope and worship of the Virgin Mary, &c. renounc'd very decently, as likewise the prayers which follow'd, standing all the while. Then came in the King, the Crowne on his head, and being seated, the Commons were introduced, and the House being full, he drew forth a paper containing his speech, which he read distinctly enough, to this effect: "That he resolv'd to call a Parliament from the moment of his brother's decease, as the best meanes to settle all the concernes of the Nation, so as to be most easy and happy to himselfe and his subjects; that he would confirme whatever he had said in his declaration at the first Councel concerning his opinion of the principles of the Church of England, for their loyaltie, and would defend and support it, and preserve its government as by law now establish'd; that, as he would invade no man's property, so he would never depart from his owne prerogutive; and as he had ventur'd his life in defence of the Nation, so he would proceede to do still; that, having given this assurance of his care of our Religion (his word was *your Religion*) and Property (w^{ch} he had not said by chance but solemnly), so he doubted not of suitable returnes of his subjects duty and kindnesse, especialy as to settling his Revenue for life, for y^e many weighty necessities of government, w^{ch} he would not suffer to be precarious; that some might possibly suggest that it were better to feede and supply him from time to time only, out of their inclination to frequent Parliaments, but that that would be a very improper method to take with him, since the best way to engage him to meets oftener would be always to use him well, and therefore he expected their compliance speedily, that this Session being but short, they might meet againe to satisfaction." At every period of this the House gave loud shouts. Then he acquainted them with that morning's news of Argyll's being landed in the West Highlands of Scotland from Holland, and the treasonous declaration he had published, which he would communicate to them, and that he should

take the best care he could it should meeke with the reward it deserv'd, not questioning the Parliament's zeale and readinesse to assist him as he desir'd; at which there follow'd another *Vive le Roi*, and so his Ma^y retir'd.

So soone as y^e Commons were return'd and had put themselves into a grand Committee, they immediately put the question, and unanimously voted the Revenue to his Ma^y for life. Mr. Seymour made a bold speech against many Elections, and would have had those members who (he pretended) were obnoxious, to withdraw, till they had clear'd the matter of their being legally return'd; but no one seconded him. The truth is, there were many of the new members whose Elections and Returns were universally censur'd, many of them being persons of no condition or interest in the Nation, or places for which they serv'd, especially in Devon, Cornwall, Norfolk, &c. said to have ben recommended by the Court and from the effect of the new charters changing y^e electors. It was reported that Lord Bath carried down with him [into Cornwall] no fewer than 15 charters, so that some call'd him the Prince Elector; whence Seymour told the House in his speech that if this was digested, they might introduce what religion and lawes they pleas'd, and that tho' he never gave heed to y^e feares and jealousies of the people before, he now was really apprehensive of Popery. By the printed list of Members of 505 there did not appear to be above 135 who had ben in former Parliaments, especialiy that lately held at Oxford.

In y^e Lords House Lord Newport made an exception agaist two or three young Peeres, who wanted some moneths, and some only four or five daies of being of age.

The Popish Lords who had ben sometime before releas'd from their confinement about the Plot, were now discharg'd of their impeachment, of w^{ch} I gave Lord Arundel of Wardour joy.

Otter, who had but two dayes before ben pilloried at severall places and whipt at y^e carts taile from Newgate to Aldgate, was this day plac'd on a sledge, being not able to go by reason of so late scourging, and dragg'd from prison to Tyburn, and whipt againe all y^e way, which some thought to be very severe and extraordinary; but if he was guilty of the narration, and so of the death of many innocents, as I feare he

was, his punishment was but what he deser' d. I chanc'd to pass just as execution was doing on him. A strange revolution!

Note: there was no speech made by the Lord Keeper [Bridgeman] after his Ma^t, as usual.

It was whisper'd he would not be long in that situation, and many believe the bold Chief Justice Jeffries, who was made Baron of Wem in Shropshire, and who went thorough a stich in that tribunal, stands fair for that office. I gave him joy the morning before of his new honour, he having always been very civil to me.

24 May. We had hitherto not any raine for many moneths, so as y^e caterpillars had already devour'd all y^e winter fruite thro' the whole land, and even kill'd severall greater old trees. Such two winters and summers I had never knowne.

4 June. Came to visite and take leave of me S^r Gab. Sylvius, now going Envoy extraordinary into Denmark, with his Secretary and Chaplaine, a Frenchman, who related the miserable persecution of the Protestants in France; not above 10 Churches left them, and those also threaten'd to be demolish'd; they were commanded to christen their children within 24 hours after birth, or else a Popish Priest was to be call'd, and then y^e infant brought up in Popery. In some places they were 30 leagues from any minister or opportunity of worship. This persecution had displeas'd the most industrious part of y^e nation, and dispers'd those into Swisse, Burgundy, Holland, Germany, Denmark, England, and the Plantations. There were with S^r Gabriel, his lady, S^r W^m Godolphin and sisters, and my Lord Godolphin's little son, my charge. I brought them to the water side where Sir Gabriel embark'd, and the rest return'd to London.

14. There was now certaine intelligence of the Duke of Monmouth landing at Lyme in Dorsetshire, and of his having set up his standard as King of England. I pray God deliver us from the confusion which these beginnings threaten.

Such a dearth for want of raine was never in my memory.

17. The Duke landed with but 150 men, but the whole Kingdom was alarm'd, fearing that the Jacobites would rise, many of his train'd bands flocking to him. And so nothing can be done to him.

tion, charging his Ma^ty with usurpation and several horrid crimes, on pretence of his owne title, and offering to call a free Parliament. This declaration was order'd to be burnt by the hangman, the Duke proclaim'd a traytor, and a reward of £.5,000 to any who should kill him.

At this time the words engraved on the monument in London, intimating that the Papists fir'd the City, were erased and cut out.

The exceeding drowth still continues.

18. I received a warrant to send out a horse with 12 dayes provision, &c.

28. We had now plentiful raine after 2 yeares excessive drowth and severe winters.

Argyle taken in Scotland and executed, and his party dispers'd.

2 July. No considerable account of the troops sent against the Duke, tho' greate forces sent. There was a smart skirmish, but he would not be provok'd to come to an encounter, but still kept in the fastnesses.

Dangerfield whipp'd, like Oates, for perjurie.

8 July. Came news of Monmouth's utter defeate, and the next day of his being taken by S^r W^m Portman and Lord Lumley with the militia of their counties. It seemes the horse, commanded by Lord Grey, being newly rais'd and undisciplin'd, were not to be brought in so short a time to endure the fire, which expos'd the foote to the King's, so as when Monmouth had led the foote in greate silence and order, thinking to surprize Lieut^r Gen^r Lord Feversham newly encamp'd, and given him a smart charge, interchanging both greate and small shot, the horse, breaking their owne ranks, Monmouth gave it over, and fled with Grey, leaving their party to be cut in pieces to the number of 2000. The whole number reported to be above 8,000, the King's but 2,700. The slaine were most of them Mendip-miners, who did greate execution with their tooles, and sold their lives very dearely, whilst their leaders flying were pursu'd and taken the next morning, not far from one another. Monmouth had gone 16 miles on foote, changing his habite for a poore coate, and was found by Lord Lumley in a dry ditch cover'd with fern-brakes, but without sword, pistol, or any weapon, and so might have pass'd for some countryman, his beard being

grown so long and so grey as hardly to be known, had not his George discover'd him, which was found in his pocket. 'Tis said he trembl'd exceedingly all over, not able to speake. Grey was taken not far from him. Most of his party were anabaptists and poore clothworkers of y^e country, no gentlemen of account being come in to him. The £5,000 to be given to whoever should bring Monmouth in, was to be distributed among the militia by agreement between S^t W^m Portman and Lord Lumley. The battail ended, some words, first in jest, then in passion, pass'd between Sherrington Talbot (a worthy gent^{le}, son to S^t John Talbot, and who had behav'd himselfe very handsomely) and one Capt. Love, both commanders of the militia, as to whose souldiers fought best, both drawing their swords and passing at one another. Sherrington was wounded to death on the spot, to the greate regret of those who knew him. He was Sir John's only son.

9 July. Just as I was coming into the lodgings at White-hall, a little before dinner, my Lord of Devonshire standing very neare his Ma^rry's bed-chamber doore in the lobby, came Col. Culpeper, and in a rude manner looking my Lord in the face, asked whether this was a time and place for excluders to appeare; my Lord at first tooke little notice of what he said, knowing him to be a hot-headed fellow, but he reiterating it, my Lord ask'd Culpeper whether he meant him; he said, yes, he meant his Lordship. My Lord told him he was no excluder (as indeed he was not); the other affirming it againe, my Lord told him he lied, on which Culpeper struck him a box on the eare, which my Lord return'd and fell'd him. They were soone parted, Culpeper was seiz'd, and his Ma^rry, who was all the while in his bed-chamber, order'd him to be carried to the Green Cloth Officer, who sent him to the Marshalsea as he deserv'd. My Lord Devon had nothing said to him.

I supp'd this night at Lambeth at my old friend's Mr. Elias Ashmole's, with my Lady Clarendon, y^e Bishop of St. Asaph, and Dr. Tenison, when we were treated at a greate feast.

10 July. The Count of Castel Mellor, that greate favourite and prime minister of Alphonso, late King of Portugal, after several yeares banishment, being now recover'd in grace, and come hether by Don

Pedro the present King, as having ben found a person of the greatest integrity after all his sufferings, desir'd me to spend part of this day with him, and assist him in a collection of books and other curiosities, which he would carry with him into Portugal.

Mr. Hussey *, a young gentleman who made love to my late deare child, but whom she could not bring herselfe to answer in affection, died now of the same cruel disease, for w^{ch} I was extreamly sorry, because he never enjoy'd himselfe after my daughter's decease, nor was I averse to the match, could she have overcome her disinclination.

15. I went to see Dr. Tenison's Library [in St. Martin's].

Monmouth was this day brought to London and examin'd before the King, to whom he made greate submission, acknowledg'd his seduction by Ferguson the Scot, whom he nam'd y^e bloudy villain. He was sent to y^e Tower, had an interview with his late Dutchesse, whom he receiv'd coldly, having liv'd dishonestly with y^e Lady Henrietta Wentworth for two yeares. He obstinately asserted his conversation with that debauch'd woman to be no sin, whereupon, seeing he could not be persuaded to his last breath, the divines who were sent to assist him thought not fit to administer the Holy Communion to him. For y^e rest of his faults he profess'd greate sorrow, and so died without any apparent feare; he would not make use of a cap or other cirenstance, but lying downe, bid the fellow do his office better than to the late Lord Russell, and gave him gold; but the wretch made five choppes before he had his head off; w^{ch} so incens'd the people, that had he not been guarded and got away, they would have torn him to pieces.

The Duke made no speech on the scaffold (w^{ch} was on Tower Hill) but gave a paper containing not above 5 or 6 lines, for the King, in which he disclaims all title to y^e Crown, acknowledges that the late King, his father, had indeede told him he was but his base sonn, and so desir'd his Ma^v to be kind to his wife and children. This relation I had from Dr. Tenison (Rector of St. Martin's), who, with the Bishops of Ely and Bath and Wells, were sent to him by his Ma^v, and were at the execution.

* Son of Peter Hussey, Esq. of Sutton, in Surrey. See pp. 431, 535.

Thus ended this quondam Duke, darling of his father and y^e ladies, being extreamly handsome and adroit; an excellent soouldier and dancer, a favourite of the people, of an easy nature, debauch'd by lust, sedue'd by crafty knaves who would have set him up only to make a property, and took the opportunity of the King being of another religion, to gather a party of discontented men. He fail'd, and perish'd.

He was a lovely person, had a virtuous and excellent lady that brought him greate riches, and a second dukedom in Scotland. He was Master of the Horse, General of the King his father's Army, Gentleman of the Bed-chamber, Knight of the Garter, Chancellor of Cambridge, in a word had accumulations without end. See what ambition and want of principles brought him to! He was beheaded on Tuesday 14th July. His mother, whose name was Barlow, daughter of some very meane creatures, was a beautiful strumpet, whom I had often seene at Paris; she died miserably without any thing to bury her; yet this Perkin had ben made to believe that the King had married her; a monstrous and ridiculous forgerie; and to satisfy the world of the iniqity of the report, the King his father (if his father he really was, for he most resembl'd one Sidney *), who was familiar with his mother) publickly and most solemnly renounc'd it, to be so enter'd in the Council Booke some yeares since, with all y^e Privy Councillors attestation †.

* Mr. Robert Sidney, commonly called handsome Sidney, related to the Earl of Leicester of that name.

† Ross, tutor to the Duke of Monmouth, proposed to Bishop Cozens to sign a certificate of the King's marriage to Mrs. Barlow, though her own name was Walters: this the Bishop refused. She was born of a gentleman's family in Wales, but having little meanes and less grace, came to London to make her fortune. Algernon Sidney, then a Colonel in Cromwell's army, had agreed to give her 50 broad pieces (as he told the Duke of York); but being ordered hastyly away with his regiment, he missed his bargain. She went into Holland, where she fell into the hands of his brother Colonel Robert Sidney, who kept her for some time, till the King hearing of her, got her from him. On which the Colonel was heard to say, Let who will have her she is already spod; and after being with the King she was so soon with child that the world had no cause to doubt whose child it was, and the rather that when he grew to be a man, he very much resembled the Colonel both in stature and countenance, even to a wort on his face. However the King owned the child. In the King's absence she behaved so loosely, that on his return from his escape at Worcester, he would have no further commerce with her, and she became a common prostitute at Paris. Life of King James II. vol. I. 491.

Had it not pleas'd God to dissipate this attempt in y^e beginning, there would in all appearance have gather'd an irresistible force which would have desperately proceeded to y^e ruine of y^e Church and Government, so general was the discontent and expectation of the opportunity. For my owne part I look'd upon this deliverance as most signal. Such an inundation of phanatics and men of impious principles must needs have caus'd universal disorder, cruelty, injustice, rapine, saerilege, and confusion, an unavoidable civil war and misery without end. Blessed be God the knot was happily broken, and a faire prospect of tranquillity for the future if we reforme, be thankfull, and make a right use of this mercy.

18 July. I went to see the muster of the 6 Scotch and English regiments whom the Prince of Orange had lately sent to his Ma^t out of Holland upon this rebellion, but which were now returning, there having ben no occasion for their use. They were all excellently clad and well disciplin'd, and were incamped on Blackheath with their tents: the King and Queene came to see them exercise, and the manner of their incampment, which was very neat and magnificent.

By a grosse mistake of the Secretary of his Ma^t forces, it had ben order'd that they should be quarter'd in private houses, contrary to an Act of Parliament, but on my informing his Ma^t timely of it, it was prevented.

The two horsemen w^{ch} my son and myselfe sent into the county troopes, were now come home, after a moneth's being out to our greate charge.

20. The Trinity Company met this day, which should have ben on y^e Monday after Trinity, but was put off by reason of the Royal Charter being so large that it could not be ready before. Some immunitiess were super-added. Mr. Pepys, Secretary to y^e Admiralty, was a second time chosen Master. There were present the Duke of Grafton, Lord Dartmouth, Master of y^e Ordnance, the Commissioners of y^e Navy, and brethren of the Corporation. We went to Church according to custome, and then took barge to the Trinity House, in London, where we had a great dinner, above 80 at one table.

7 Aug. I went to see Mr. Wats, keeper of the Apothecaries Garden of Simples at Chelsea, where there is a collection of innumerable

rarities of that sort particularly, besides many rare annuals, the tree bearing jesuits bark, w^{ch} had don such wonders in quartan agues. What was very ingenious was the subterranean heate, conveyed by a stove under the conservatory, all vaulted with brick, so as he has the doores and windowes open in the hardest frosts, secluding only the snow.

15. Came to visite us Mr. Boscawen with my Lord Godolphin's little son, with whose education hither his father had intrusted me.

27. My daughter Elizabeth died of the small pox, soon after having married a young man, nephew of Sir John Tippett, surveyor of the Navy, and one of the Commissioners. The 30th she was buried in the Church at Deptford. Thus in lesse than six moneths were we deprived of two children for our unworthiness and causes best knowne to God, whom I beseeche from the bottome of my heart that he will give us grace to make that right use of all these chastisements, that we may become better, and entirely submitt in all things to his infinite wise disposal. Amen.

3 Sept. Lord Clarendon (Lord Privy Seale) wrote to let me know that the King being pleas'd to send him Lord Lieutenant into Ireland, was also pleas'd to nominate me one of the Commiss^{rs} to execute y^e office of Privy Seale during his Lictenancy there, it behoving me to wait upon his Ma^t to give him thanks for this greate honour.

5. I accompanied his Lordship to Windsor (dining by the way at Sir Henry Capel's at Kew), where his Ma^t receiving me with extraordinary kindnesse, I kiss'd his hand. I told him how sensible I was of his Ma^t gracious favour to me, that I would endeavour to serve him with all sincerity, diligence, and loyalty, not more out of my duty than inclination. He said he doubted not of it, and was glad he had the opportunity to shew me the kindnesse he had for me. After this came abundance of greate men to give me joy.

6. Sunday. I went to prayer in the Chapell, and heard Dr. Standish. The second sermon was preach'd by Dr. Creighton, on 1 Thess. 4, 11, persuading to unity and peace, and to be mindfull of our owne busynesse, according to the advise of the Apostle. Then I went to heare a Frenchman who preached before the King and Queen in that splendid

Chappell next St. George's Hall. Their Ma^{ts} going to masse, I withdrew to consider the stupendous painting of y^e Hall, which, both for the art and invention, deserve the inscription in honour of the painter, Signor Verrio. The history is Edward the 3d receiving the Black Prince, coming towards him in a Roman triumph. The whole roofe is the history of St. George. The throne, the carvings, &c. are incomparable, and I think equal to any, and in many circumstances exceeding any, I have scene abroad.

I din'd at Lord Sunderland's, with (amongst others) S^r W^m Soames, design'd Ambass^t to Constantinople.

About 6 o'clock came S^r Dudley and his brother Roger North, and brought the greate scale from my Lord Keeper, who died y^r day before at his house in Oxfordshire. The King went immediately to Council; every body guessing who was most likely to succeed this greate officer; most believing it could be no other than my Lord Chief Justice Jeffries, who had so vigorously prosecuted the late rebels, and was now gone the Western circuit, to punish the rest that were sear'd in the several counties, and was now neere upon his returne. I tooke my leave of his Ma^w, who spake very graciously to me, and supping that night at S^r Stephen Fox's, I promis'd to dine there the next day.

15 Sept. I accompanied Mr. Pepys to Portsmouth, whither his Ma^w was going the first time since his coming to the Crowne, to see in what state the fortifications were. We tooke coach and six horses, late after dinner, yet got to Bagshot* that night. Whilst supper was making ready I went and made a visit to Mrs. Graham†, some time maid of honour to y^e Queene Dowager, now wife to James Graham, Eng. of the privy purse to the King; her house‡ being a walke in the forest, within a little quarter of a mile from Bagshot towne. Very unfortunat^e she was that I would sup, and abide there that night, but being obliged by my companion, I return'd to our inn, after she had shew'd me her house, wh^{ch} was very commodious and well furnish'd, as she was an excellent housewife, a prudent and virtuous lady. There is a park full of red deere about it. Her eldest son was now sick there

* 30 miles.

† Miss Howard, see p. 479.

‡ Bagshot Park.

of the small-pox, but in a likely way of recovery, and other of her children run about, and among the infected, w^{ch} she said she let them do on purpose that they might whilst young pass that fatal disease she fancied they were to undergo one time or other, and that this would be the best: the severity of this cruell disease so lately in my poore family confirming much of what she affirmed.

16. The next morning setting out early, we arr'd soon enough at Winchester to waite on the King, who was lodg'd at the Dean's (Dr. Meggot). I found very few with him besides my Lords Fever, sham, Arran, Newport, and the Bishop of Bath and Wells. His Ma^t was discoursing with the Bishops concerning miracles, and what strange things the Saludadors* would do in Spaine, as by creeping into heated ovens without hurt, and that they had a black crosse in the roofe of their mouthes, but yet were commonly notorious and profane wretches; upon which his Majesty further said, that he was so extreamly difficult of miracles, for fear of being impos'd upon; that if he should chance to see one himselfe, without some other witness, he should apprehend it a delusion of his sens^e. Then they spake of ye boy who was pretended to have a wanting leg restor'd him, so confidently asserted by Fr. de S^a. Clara and others. To all which the Bishop added a greate miracle happening in Winchester to his certaine knowledge, of a poor miserably sick and decrepit child (as I remember long kept unbaptiz'd), who immedately on his baptism recover'd, as also of y^e salutary effect of K. Charles his Ma^t's father's blood, in healing one that was blind.

* As to that of the Saludador (of which likewise I remember Sit Arthur Hopton, formerly Am^bassador at Madrid, had told me many like wonders) Mr. Pegg passing through Spaine, and being extreamly inquisitive of the truth of these pretended miracles of the Saludadors, found a very famous one at last, to whom he offered a considerable reward if he would make a trial of the oven, or any other thing of that kind, before him; the fellow ingenuously told him that finding he was a more than ordinary curious person, he would not deceive him, and acknowledg'd that he could do none of the stales really, but that when they pretended these alia chate, w^{ch} he would easily discover, though the poore superstitious people were ready imposed upon; yet here these impostors an allowance of the Bishops to practice their humbugg. This Mr. Pegg affirm'd to me, but, said he, I did not conceive it fit to interrogate his Ma^t, who so solemnly told me they intended to do. J. E.

There was something said of the second sight happening to some persons, especialy Scotch ; upon which his Ma^v, and I think Lord Arran, told us that Mons. a French nobleman, lately here in England, seeing the late Duke of Monmouth come into y^e play-house at London, suddenly cried out to somebody sitting in the same box, *Voilà Monsieur comme il entre sans tête.* Afterwards his Ma^v spoke of some reliques that had effected strange cures, particularly a piece of our Bl. Saviour's Crosse, that heal'd a gentleman's rotten nose by onely touching ; and speaking of the golden crosse and chaîne taken out of the coffin of St. Edward the Confessor at Westm^r*, by one of the singing men, who, as the scaffolds were taking down after his Ma^v's coronation, espying a hole in the tomb, and something glisten, put his hand in, and brought it to the Deane, and he to the King ; his Ma^v began to put the Bishop in mind how earnestly the late King (his brother) call'd upon him, during his agonie, to take out what he had in his pocket. I had thought, said the King, it had ben for some keys, which might lead to some cabinet that his Ma^v would have me secure ; but, says he, you well remember that I found nothing in any of his pockets but a crosse of gold, and a few insignificant papers ; and thereupon he shew'd us the crosse, and was pleas'd to put it into my hand. It was of gold, about three inches long, having on one side a crucifix enamell'd and emboss'd, the rest was grav'd and garnish'd with goldsmith's work, and two pretty broad table amethysts (as I conceiv'd), and at the bottom a pendant pearle ; within was inchas'd a little fragment, as was thought, of the true Crosse, and a Latine inscription in gold and Roman letters †. More company coming in, this discourse ended. I may not forget a resolution which his Ma^v made, and had a little before enter'd upon it at y^e Council Board at Windsor or White-hall, that the Negroes in the Plantations should all be baptiz'd, exceedingly declaiming against that impiety of their masters prohibiting it, out of a mistaken opinion that they would be *ipso facto* free ; but his Ma^v persists in his resolution to have them christen'd, w^{ch} piety y^e Bishop blessed him for.

* See a "Narrative" on this subject among the illustrations at the end of this Volume.

† There is a pamphlet giving an account of this finding, and presenting to the King, under the name of George Tayleur, but his name was Henry Keepe. See Gough's Topography.

I went out to see the new Palace the late King had began, and brought almost to the covering. It is plac'd on the side of the hill where formerly stood the old Castle. It is a stately fabric, of three sides and a corridor, all built of brick, and cornish'd, windows and columns at the break and entrance of free-stone. It was intended for a hunting-house when his Ma^y should come to these parts, and has an incomparable prospect. I believe there had already ben £20,000 and more expended, but his now Majesty did not seeme to encourage the finishing it, at least for a whil'e.

Hence I went to see the Cathedral, a reverend pile, and in good repaire. There are still the coffins of the six Saxon Kings, whose bones had ben scatter'd by the sacrilegious Rebels of 1641, in expectation, I suppose, of finding some valuable reliques, and afterwards gather'd up againe and put into new chests, w^{ch} stand above the stalls of the Choir.

17 Sept. Early next morning we went to Portsmouth, something before his Ma^y ariv'd. We found all the way full of people, the women in their best dress, in expectation of seeing the King pass by, which he did riding on horseback a good part of the way. We found the Maior and Aldermen with their mace, and in their formalities, standing at the entrance of the fort, a mile on this side of the towne, where the Maior made a speech to the King, and then the guns of the fort were fired, as were those of the garrison so soone as the King was come into Portsmouth. All the souldiers (neere 3000) were drawn up, and lining the streetes and platforme to God's-house (the name of the Governor's house), where, after he had view'd the new fortifications and ship-yard, his Ma^b was entertain'd at a magnificent dinner by Sir Slingsby y^e Lieut. Governor, all the gentlemen in his traine setting down at table with him, w^{ch} I also had don had I not ben before engag'd to S^r Rob^t Holmes, Gov^r of y^e Isle of Wight, to dine with him at a private house, where likewise we had a very sumptuous and plentifull repast of excellent venison, fowle, fish, and fruit.

After dinner I went to wait on his Ma^y againe, who was pulling on his bootes in y^e Tcwne-hall, adjoyning the house where he din'd, and then having saluted some ladys, who came to kiss his hand, he tooke horse for Winchester, whither he returned that night. This hall is

artificially hung round with armes of all sorts, like the Hall and Keep at Windsor.

I went hence to see the ship-yard and dock, the fortifications, and other things.

Portsmouth when finish'd will be very strong, and a noble key. There were now 32 men of war in y^e harbour. I was invited by Sir R. Beach y^e Commissioner, where, after a greate supper, Mr. Secretary and myselfe lay that night, and the next morning set out for Guildford, where we arriv'd in good hour, and so the day after to London.

I had twice before ben at Portsmouth, y^e Isle of Wight, &c. many yeares since. I found this part of Hampshire bravely wooded, especially about y^e house and estate of Col. Norton, who, tho' now in being, having formerly made his peace by means of Col. Legg, was formerly a very fierce commander in the first Rebellion. His house is large, and standing low, on the road from Winchester to Portsmouth.

By what I observ'd in this journey, is that infinite industry, sedulity, gravity, and greate understanding and experiance of affaires, in his Ma^t, that I cannot but predict much happiness to y^e Nation, as to its political government; and if he so persist, there could be nothing more desir'd to accomplish our prosperity but that he was of the National Religion.

30. Lord Clarendon's Commission for Lieutenant of Ireland was seal'd this day.

2 Oct. Having a letter sent me by Mr. Pepys with this expression at the foote of it, "I have something to shew you that I may not have another time," and that I would not faile to dine with him, I accordingly went. After dinner he had me and Mr. Houbton (a rich and considerable merchant, whose father had fled out of Flanders on the persecution of the Duke of Alva) into a private roome, and told us that being lately alone with his Ma^t, and upon some occasion of speaking concerning my late Lord Arlington dying a Roman Catholic, who had all along seem'd to profess himselfe a Protestant, taken all the tests, &c. till the day (I think) of his death, his Ma^t sayd that as to his inclinations he had known him long wavering, but from feare of looseing his places he did not think it convenient to declare himself. There are, says the

King, those who believe the Church of Rome gives dispensations for going to church, and many like things, but that is not so; for if that might have ben had, he himselfe had most reason to make use of it. *Indeede*, he said, as to *some matrimonial cases, there are now and then dispensations*, but hardly in any cases else. This familiar discourse encourag'd Mr. Pepys to beg of his Ma^v, if he might ask it without offence, and for that his Ma^v could not but observe how it was whisper'd among many, whether his late Ma^v had ben reconcil'd to y^e Church of Rome; he againe humbly besought his Ma^v to pardon his presumption if he had touch'd upon a thing which did not befit him to looke into: the King ingenuously told him, that he both was and died a Roman Catholic, and that he had not long since declar'd it was upon some politic and state reasons, best known to himselfe (meaning the King his brother) but that he was of that persuasion: he bid him follow him into his closet, where opening a cabinet, he shew'd him two papers, containing about a quarter of a sheete, on both sides written, in the late King's owne hand, severall arguments opposite to the doctrine of the Church of England, charging her with heresy, novelty and y^e fanaticism of other Protestants, the cheif whereof was, as I remember, our refusing to acknowledge the Primacy and Infallibility of the Church of Rome; how impossible it was that so many ages should never dispute it, till of late; how unlikely our Saviour would leave his Church without a visible head and guide to resort to, during his absence; with the like usual topics; so well penn'd as to the discourse as did by no means seeme to me to have ben put together by the late King, yet written all with his owne hand, blotted and interlin'd, so as, if indeede it was not given him by some priest, they might be such arguments and reasons as had ben inculcated from time to time, and here recollect'd; and in the conclusion shewing his looking on the Protestant Religion (and by name the Church of England) to be without foundation, and consequently false and unseaf. When his Ma^v had shewn him these originals, he was please'd to lend him the copies of those two papers, attested at the bottome in 4 or 5 lines, under his owne hand.

These were the papers I saw and read. This nice and curious pa-

sage I thought fit to set downe. Tho' all the arguments and objections were altogether weake, and have a thousand times ben answer'd by our Divines ; they are such as their Priests insinuate among their proselites, as if nothing were Catholiq but the Church of Rome, no salvation out of that, no reformation sufferable, bottoming all their errors on St. Peter's successors unerrable dictatorship, but proving nothing with any reason, or taking notice of any objection which could be made against it. Here all was taken for granted, and upon it a resolution and preference implied. I was heartily sorry to see all this, tho' it was no other than was to be suspected, by his late Ma^r too greate indifference, neglect, and course of life, that he had ben perverted, and for secular respects onely profess'd to be of another belief, and thereby giving greate advantage to our adversaries, both the Court and generall the youth and greate persons of the Nation becoming dissolute and highly profane. God was incens'd to make his reign very troublesome and unprosperous, by warrs, plagues, fires, losse of reputation by an universal neglect of the publique for the love of a voluptuous and sensual life; w^{ch} a vicious Court had brought into credit. I think of it with sorrow and pity when I consider of how good and debonaire a nature that unhappy Prince was, what opportunities he had to have made himselfe the most renown'd King that ever sway'd the British scepter; had he ben firm to that Church for w^{ch} his martyrd and blessed father suffer'd; and had he ben grattfull to Almighty God, who so miraculously restor'd him, with so excellent a Religion; had he endeavour'd to owne and propagate it as he should have don, not onely for the good of his Kingdom, but of all the Reformed Churches in Christendom, now weaken'd and neere ruin'd thro' our remissnesse and suffering them to be suplanted, persecuted and destroy'd, as in France, which we tooke no notice of. The consequence of this time will shew, and I wish it may proceed no further. The emissaries and instruments of the Church of Rome will never rest till they have crush'd the Church of England, as knowing that alone to be able to cope with them, and that they can never answer her fairly, but lie aboundingtly open to the prescutable force of her arguments, antiquity and purity of her doctrine, so that albeit it may move God, for the punishment of a Nation so

unworthy, to eclipse againe the profession of her here, and darknesse and superstition preuale, I am most confident the doctrine of the Church of England will never be extinguish'd, but remaine visible, if not eminent, to y^e consummation of the world. I have innumerable reasons that confirm me in this opinion, which I forbear to mention here.

In the mean time as to the discourse of his Ma^t with Mr. Pepys, and those papers; as I do exceedingly prefer his Majesty's free and ingenuous profession of what his own Religion is, beyond concealment upon any politic accounts, so I thinke him of a most sincere and honest nature, one on whose word one may relie, and that he makes a conscience of what he promises, to performe it. In this confidence I hope that the Church of England may yet subsist, and when it shall please God to open his eyes and turne his heart (for that is peculiarly in the Lord's hands) to flourish also. In all events whatever do become of the Church of England, it is certaintely, of all the Christian professions on the earth, the most primitive, apostolical and excellent.

8 Oct. I had my picture drawn this week by the famous Kneller *.

14. I went to London about finishing my lodgings at White-ball.

15. Being the King's birth day, there was a solemne ball at Court, and before it musiq of instruments and voices. At the musiq I happen'd by accident to stand the very next to the Queene and the King, who talk'd with me about the musick.

18. The King was now building all that range from East to West by y^e Court and Garden to the streete, and making a new Chapel for y^e Queene, whose lodgings were to be in this new building, as also a new Council chamber and offices next y^e South end of y^e Banqueting house. I returned home next morning to London.

22. I accompanied my Lady Clarendon to her house at Swallowfield in Berks, dining by the way at Mr. Graham's lodge at Bagshot †; the house, new repair'd and capacious enough for a good family, stands in a Park.

Hence we went to Swallowfield; this house is after the antient building of honourable gentlemen's houses, when they kept up antient hos-

* An Engraving from this Portrait now at Wotton forms the Frontispiece to the First Volume of these Memoirs.

† See p. 607.

pitality, but the gardens and waters as elegant as 'tis possible to make a flat, by art and industrie, and no meane expence, my lady being so extraordinarily skill'd in y^e flowery part, and my lord in diligence of planting; so that I have hardly seene a seate which shews more tokens of it than what is to be found here, not only in the delicious and rarest fruits of a garden, but in those innumerable timber trees in the ground about the seate, to the greatest ornament and benefit of the place. There is one orchard of 1000 golden, and other cider pippins; walks and groves of elms, limes, oaks, and other trees. The garden is so beset with all manner of sweete shrubbs, that it perfumes the aire. The distribution also of the quarters, walks, and parterres, is excellent. The nurseries, kitchin garden full of y^e most desireable plants; two very noble Orangeries well furnished; but above all, the canall and fishponds, the one fed with a white, the other with a black running water, fed by a quick and swift river, so well and plentifully stor'd with fish, that for pike, carp, breame and tench, I never saw any thing approaching it. We had at every mcale carp and pike of size fit for the table of a Prince, and what added to y^e delight was to see the hundreds taken by the drag, out of which, the cooke standing by, we pointed out what we had most mind to, and had carp that would have ben worth at London twenty shillings a piece. The waters are flagg'd about with *Calamus aromaticus*, with wth my lady has hung a closet, that retains the smell very perfectly. There is also a certaine sweete willow and other exotics; also a very fine bowling-greene, meadow, pasture, and wood; in a word, all that can render a country seate delightful. There is besides a well furnish'd library in y^a house.

26. We return'd to London, having ben treated with all sorts of cheere and noble freedom by that most religious and vertuous lady. She was now preparing to go for Ireland with her husband, made Lord Deputy, and went to this country-house and antient seate of her father and family*, to set things in order during her absence; but never were

* She was daughter and heiress of Wm. Backhouse, Esq.; and widow of Sir Wm. Backhouse, Bart. Called a Peage.

good people and neighbours more concern'd than all the country (the poor especialy) for the departure of this charitable woman; every one was in teares, and she as unwilling to part from them. There was amongst them a maiden of primitive life, the daughter of a poore labouring man, who had sustain'd her parents (sometime since dead) by her labour, and has for many years refus'd marriage, or to receive any assistance from the parish, besides y^e little hermitage my lady gives her rent-free; she lives on four pence a day, which she gets by spinning; says she abounds and can give almes to others, living in greate humility and content, without any apparent affectation or singularity; she is continually working, praying or reading, gives a good account of her knowledge in religion, visites the sick; is not in the least given to talke; very modest, of a simple not unseemly behaviour; of a comely countenance, clad very plaine, but cleane and tight. In sum, she appears a suint of an extraordinary sort, in so religious a life as is seldom met with in villages now a-daiies.

27. I was invited to dine at Sir Ste. Fox's with my Lord Lieutenant, where was such a dinner for variety of all things as I had seldom seene, and it was so for the trial of a master cooke whom Sir Stephen had recommended to go with his Lordship into Ireland; there were all y^e dainties not onely of the season, but of what art could add, venison, plaine solid meate, fowle, bak'd and boil'd meates, banquet [desert], &c. in exceeding plenty and exquisitely dress'd. There also din'd my Lord Ossory and Lady (the Duke of Beaufort's daughter), my Lady Treasurer, Lord Cornbery, &c.

28. At the Royal Society an urn full of bones was presented, dug up in an highway, whilst repairing it, in a field in Camberwell in Surrey; it was found intire with its cover, amongst many others, believ'd to be truly Roman and antient.

Sir Rich^d Bulkeley described to us a model of a chariot he had invented, w^{ch} it was not possible to overthrow in whatever uneven way it was drawn, giving us a wonderfull relation of what it had perform'd in that kind, for ease, expedition, and safety; there were some inconveniences yet to be remedied — it would not contain more than one

persons was ready to take fire every 10 miles, and being plac'd, and playing on no fewer than 10 rollers, it made a most prodigious noise, almost intolerable. A remedy was to be sought for these inconveniences.

3d. I din'd at our greate Lord Chancellor Jefferies, who us'd me with much respect. This was the late Chief Justice who had newly ben the Western Circuit to try the Monmouth conspirators, and had formerly don such severe justice amongst the obnoxious in Westm' Hall, for which his Mat^r dignified him by creating him first a Baron, and now Lord Chancellor. He had some years past ben conversant in Deptford; is of an assur'd and undaunted spirit, and has serv'd the Court interest on all the hardiest occasions; is of nature cruel and a slave of the Court.

3 Nov. The French persecution of ye Protestants raging with the utmost barbarity, exceeded even what ye very heathens us'd: innumerable persons of the greatest birth and riches leaving all their earthly substance, and hardly escaping with their lives, dispers'd thro' all the countries of Europe. The French tyrant abrogated the Edict of Nantes which had ben made in favour of them, and without any cause; on a sudden demolishing all their Churches, banishing, imprisoning, and sending to ye gallies all ye ministers; plundering the common people, and exposing them to all sorts of barbarous usage by souldiers sent to ruin and prey on them; taking away their children; forcing people to ye Mass^e, and then executing them as relapsers; they burnt their libraries, pillag'd their goods, ate up their fields and substance, banish'd or sent the people to ye gallies, and seiz'd on their estates. There had now ben number'd to passe thro' Geneva onely (and that by stealth, for all the usual passages were strictly guarded by sea and land) 40,000 towards Switzerland. In Holland, Denmark, and all about Germany, were dispers'd some hundred thousands; besides those in England, where though multitudes of all degrees sought for shelter and welcomme as distressed Christians and Confessors, they found least encouragement by a fatality of the times we were fallen into, and ye uncharitable indifference of such as should have embrac'd them; and I pray it

not laid to our charge. The famous Claude fled to Holland; Alix^{*} and severall more came to London, and persons of greate estates came over, who had forsaken all. France was almost dispeopled, the baukers & brooken that y^e Tyrant's revenue was exceedingly diminish'd, manufactures ceas'd, and every body there, save the Jesuites, abhor're what was don, nor did the Papists themselves approve it. What the further intention is time will shew, but doubtlesse portending some revolution. I was shew'd the harangue w^t the Bishop of Valentia on thone made in y^e name of y^e Cleargie, celebrating the French King, s if he was a God, for persecuting the poore Protestants, with this expression in it, "That as his victory over heresy was greater than all the conquests of Alexander and Caesar, it was but what was wish'd in England; and that God seem'd to raise the French King to this power and magnanimous action, that he might be in capacity to assist in doing the same here." This paragraph is very bold and remarkable; severall reflecting on Archbishop Usher's prophecy as now begin in France, and approching the orthodox in all other reform'd churches. One thing was much taken notice of, that the Gazettes which were till constantly printed twice a weeke, informing us what was don all ver Europe, never spake of this wonderfull proceeding in France, nor as any relation of it publish'd by any, save what private letters and the persecuted fugitives brought: whence this silence I list not to conjecture, but it appear'd very extraordinary in a Protestant countrie that they should know nothing of what Protestants suffer'd, whilst greate collections were made for them in foraine places, more hospitable and Christian to appearance.

5 Nov. It being an extraordinary wett morning, and myself aduised by a very greate rheume, I did not go to church, to my very reate sorrow, it being the first Gunpowder Conspiracy anniversary that had ben kept now these 80 years under a prince of the Roman

* Mr. Peter Alix, a minister of the Reform'd Church at Charnwood, in the county of Leicestershire, whole family, and met with great encouragement here. He was the author of several learned discourses in defence of the Christian Religion in general, and of Protestantism in particular. His eldest son John Peter Alix became D. D. and after passing through different presbyteries, was in 1700 made Dean of Ely, and died in 1758, and was buried in the church of Little Gidding in Huntingdonshire.

religion. Bonfires were forbidden on this day; what does this portend?

9. Began the Parliament; the King in his speech required continuance of a standing force instead of a militia, and indemnity and dispensation to Popish officers from the Test; demands very unexpected and unpleasing to the Commons. He also requir'd a supply of revenue, which they granted, but return'd no thanks to the King for his speech, till farther consideration.

12. The Commons postpon'd finishing the bill for the supply, to consider of the Test, and Popish officers; this was carried but by one voice.

14. I dined at Lambeth, my Lord Archbishop carrying me with him in his barge: there were my Lord Deputy of Ireland, the Bp. of Ely, and St. Asaph, Dr. Sherlock, and other divines; Sir. W^m Hayward, Sir Paule Rycart, &c.

20. The Parliament was adjourn'd to February, severall both of Lords and Commons excepting against some passage of his Majesty's speech relating to the Test, and continuance of Popish officers in command. This was a greate surprize in a Parliament which people believ'd would have complied in all things.

Popish pamphlets and pictures sold publickly; no books nor answer to them appearing till long after.

21. I resign'd my trust for composing a difference between Mr. Thyn and his wife.

22. Hitherto was a very wett warme season.

4 Dec. Lord Sunderland was declar'd President of y^e Counsel, and yet to hold his Secretarie's place. The forces dispos'd into severall quarters thro' y^e kingdome are very insolent, on w^{ch} are greate complaints.

Lord Brandon tried for the late conspiracy, was condemn'd and pardon'd; so was Lord Grey, his accuser and witnessse.

Persecution in France raging, the French insolently visite our vessels, and take away the fugitive Protestants; some escape in barrells.

10. To Greenwich, being put into the new Commission of Sewers.

13. Dr. Patrick, Dean of Peterborough, preach'd at White-hall before the Princesse of Denmark; who since his Ma^y came to the

Crown, alwayes sate in the King's closet, and had the same bowings and ceremonies applied to the place where she was, as his Ma^v had when there in person.

Dining at Mr. Pepys's, Dr. Slauer shewed us an experiment of a wonderful nature, pouring first a very cold liquor into a glasse, and super-fusing on it another, to appearance cold and cleare liquor also; it first produced a white cloud, then boiling, divers corruscations and actual flames of fire mingled with the liquor, which being a little shaken together, fixed divers eunns and starrs of real fire, perfectly globular, on the sides of the glasse, and which there stuck like so many constellations, burning most vehemently, and resembling starrs and heavenly bodies, and that for a long space. It seemed to exhibite a theorie of the eduction of light out of the chaos, and the fixing or gathering of the universal light into luminous bodys. This matter or phosphorus was made out of human blood and urins, elucidating the vital flame or heate in animal bodys. A very noble experiment.

16. I accompanid my Lord Lieutenant as farre as St. Albans, there going out of towne with him neere 200 coaches of all the greatest officers and nobilitie. The next morning taking leave, I return'd to London.

18. I din'd at the greate entertainment his Ma^v gave to Venetian Ambassadors, Sign^r Zenno and Justiniani, accompanied with 10 more noble Venetians of their most illustrious families, Corvaro, Maccanigo, &c. who came to congratulate their Ma^{ts} coming to y^e Crowne. The dinner was most magnifcent and plentifull, at four tables, with music, kettle drums, and trumpets, w^{ch} sounded upon a whistle at every health. The banquet [desert] was 12 vast chargers pil'd up so high that those who sat one against another could hardly see each other. Of these sweetemeates, w^{ch} doubtless were some days piling up in that exquisite manner, the Ambassadors touch'd not, but leaving them to y^e spectators who came out of curiositie to see the dinner, were exceedingly pleas'd to see in what a moment of time all that curious work was demolish'd, the comfitures voided, and the tables clear'd. Then his Ma^v entertain'd them three days, which (for the table-serv^t) cost him £600, as the Clerk of the Greene cloth (W^m W^m Boreman) assured me. Dinner ended, I saw their procession of carriages to White-hall,

innumerable coaches attending. The two Ambass^m had 4 coaches of their owne and 50 footemen (as I remember), besides other equipage as splendid as y^e occasion would permitt, the Court being still in mourning. Thence I went to the audience w^{ch} they had in the Queene's presence chamber, the Banqueting house being full of goods and furniture till the galleries on the garden side, Council chamber, and new Chapell now in building, were finish'd. They went to their audience in those plain black gownes and caps which they constantly weare in the City of Venice. I was invited to have accompanied the 2 Ambassadors in their coach to supper that night, returning now to their own lodgings, as no longer at the King's expence; but being weary I excus'd myself.

19 Dec. My Lord Treasurer made me dine with him, where I became acquainted with Mons^t Barillon, the French Ambassador, a learned and crafty advocate.

20. Dr Turner, brother to y^e Bp. of Ely, and sometime Tutor to my son, preach'd at White-hall on 8 Mark 38, concerning y^e submission of Christians to their persecutors, in w^{ch} were some passages indiscreet enough, considering y^e time, and the rage of the inhumane French tyrant against the poore Protestants.

22. Our patent for executing the office of Privy Seal during the absence of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, being this day seal'd by the Lord Chancellor; we went afterwards to S^t James's, where the Court then was on occasion of building at White-hall; his Ma^y deliver'd the seals to my Lord Tiviot and myselfe, the other Commissioners not being come, and then gave us his hand to kisse. There were the two Venetian Ambassadors, and a world of company; amongst the rest the first Popish Nuncio* that had ben in England since the Reformation, so wonderfully were things chang'd, to the universal jealousy.

24. We were all three Commissioners sworne on our knees by the Clerke of the Crowne, before my Lord Chancellor, three severall oathes; allegiance, supremacy, and the oath belonging to y^e Lord Privy Seal, w^{ch} last we tooke standing. After this, the Lord Chancellor invited us

* Ferdinand Count D'Ada, afterwards a Cardinal. There is a good mezzotinto print of him.

all to dinner, but it being Christmas-eve we desir'd to be excus'd. Intending at three in y^e afternoone to seal divers things which lay ready at y^e office; so attended by three of y^e Clerke of y^e Signet, we met and seal'd. Amongst other things was a pardon to West, who being privy to the late conspiracy, had reveal'd the accomplices to save his owne neck. There were also another pardon and two indemnifications; and so agreeing to a fortnight's vacation, I return'd home.

31. Recollecting the passages of this yeare past, and made up ac-compts, humbly besought Almighty God to pardon those my sinnes which had provoked him to discompose my sorrowfull family; that he would accept of our humiliation, and in his good time restore comfort to it. I also blest God for all his undeserved mercies and preservations, begging the continuance of his grace and preservation.—The winter had hitherto been extraordinary wett and mild.

1686. 1 Jan. Imploring y^e continuance of God's providential care for the yeare now entered, I went to the publiq devotions. The Deane of the Chapell and Cleark of the Closset put out, vis. Bp. of London and and Rochester^{*} and Durham[†] put in their places; the former had oppos'd the toleration intended, and shewn a worthy zeale for the Reform'd Religion as establish'd.

6. I din'd with y^e Abp. of York, where was Peter Walsh, that Romish Priest so well known for his moderation, professing the Church of England to be a true member of the Catholic Church; he is us'd to go to our publiq prayers without scruple, and did not acknowledge the Pope's infallibility, only primacy of order.

19. Passed the Privie Seal, amongst others, the creation of Mrs. Sedley[‡] (concubine to _____) Countesse of Dorchester, which the Queens took very grievously, so as for two dinners, standing neare her

* Sprat.

† Crowe.

Catherine, daughter of Sir Charles Sedley, Bart. one of the famous wits and courtiers of King Charles's time—he was also a poet, and wrote some dramatic pieces. She had a daughter by King James II. and was afterward married to David Maitland of Thundridge, by whom she had two sons, and died in 1717. Lord Dorset's will leaves her: "Pulteney, Dunstable, May 10 guy," &c. are addressed to this lady. Her father's carriage when he rode to Breda on the vacant throne with the Prince and Princess of Orange is well known. "King James' wife my daughter a Countess, and I have been helping to raise his daughter a Queen."

I observed she hardly ate one morsel, nor spake one word to the King, or to any about her, tho' at other times she us'd to be extreamly pleasant, full of discourse and good humour. The Roman Catholics were also very angry, because they had so long valn'd the sanctity of their religion and proselytes.

Dryden the famous playwright, and his two sonns, and Mrs. Nelly (Misse to y^e late ——) were said to go to masse; such proselytes were no greate lesse to the church.

This night was burnt to the ground my Lord Mountague's palace in Bloomsbury, than w^{ch} for painting and furniture there was nothing more glorious in England. This happen'd by the negligence of a servant, airing, as they call it, some of the goods by the fire in a moist season; indeede so wet and mild a winter had scarce ben seene in man's memory.

At this Seale there also pass'd the creation of S^r H. Walgrave to be a Peere. He had married one of the King's natural daughters by Mrs. Churchill. These two Seales my brother Commissioners pass'd in the morning before I came to towne, at w^{ch} I was not displeas'd. We likewise pass'd Privy Scales for £.276,000 upon severall accounts, pensions, guards, wardrobes, privie purse, &c. besides divers pardons, and one more w^{ch} I must not forget (and w^{ch} by Providence I was not present at) one Mr. Lytcott to be Secretary to the Ambassador to Rome. We being three Commissioners, any two were a quorum.

21. I din'd at my Lady Arlington's, groome of the stole to the Quesne Dowager, at Somerset House, where din'd the Countesses of Devonshire, Dover, &c; in all 11. ladys of quality, no man but myselfe being there.

22. Unheard of cruelties to y^e persecuted Protestants of France, such as hardly any age has seene the like, even among the Pagans.

6 Feb. Being the day on w^{ch} his Ma^y began his reign, by order of Council it was to be solemniz'd with a particular Office and Sermon, which the Bp. of Ely* preach'd at White-hall on 11 Numb. 12; a Com. oration upon the Regal Office. It was much wonder'd at that

this day, w^t was that of his late Ma^r's death, should be kept anniversar-
tival, and not [instead of] the day of the present King's coronation.
It is said to have ben formerly y^e custom, tho' not till now since y^e
reigne of King James I.

The Dutchesse of Monmouth being in y^e same seat with me at
church, appear'd with a very sad and afflicted countenance.

8. I tooke the Test in Westminster Hall, before the Lord Chiefe
Justice. I now came to lodge at White-hall in the Lord Privy Seal's
lodgings.

12. My greate cause was heard by my Lord Chancellor, who
granted me a re-hearing. I had 6 eminent lawyers, my antagonists 3,
whereof one was the smooth-tong Solicitor*, whom my Lord Chan-
cellor reprov'd in greate passion for a very small occasion. Blessed be
God for his greate goodnesse to me this day.

19. Many bloody and notorious duels were fought about this time.
The Duke of Grafton kill'd Mr. Stanley, brother to the Earle of
[Derby], indeede upon an almost insufferable provocation. It is to be
hop'd his Ma^r' will at last severely remedy this unchristian custome.

Lord Sunderland was now Secretary of State, President of the Com-
cil, and Premier Minister.

1 March. Came Sir Gilbert Gerrard to treat with me about his
sonn's marrying my daughter Susanna. The father being obnoxious,
and in some suspicion and displeasure of the King, I would receive no
proposal till his Ma^r had given me leave, w^t he was please to do; but after severall meetings we brake off on his not being willing to
secure any thing competent for my daughter's children; besides that I
found most of his estate was in y^e coal pits as far off as Newcastle, and
on leases from the Bishop of Durham, who had power to make con-
current leases, with other difficulties.

7. Dr Frampton, Bp. of Gloucester, preach'd on 44 Psalm. 17, 18,
19, shewing the severall afflictions of the Church of Christ from the
primitives to this day, applying exceedingly to the present Legislature,
when many were wavering in their minds, and great dissensions

* Mr. Finch, called Silver-Finch, from his colour of hair.

appearing thro' the favour now found by the Papists, so as the people were full of jealousies and discouragement. The Bp. magnified the Church of England, exhorting to constancy and perseverance.

10. A Council of the Royal Society about disposing of Dr Ray's book of Fishes; which was printed at the expence of the Society.

12. A docquet was to be seal'd importing a lease of 21 yeares to one Hall, who styl'd himself his Ma^v's printer (he lately turn'd Papist) for the printing Missalls, Offices, Lives of Saints, Portals, Primers, &c. books expressly forbidden to be printed or sold, by divers Acts of Parliament; I refus'd to put the seale to it, making my exceptions, so it was laied by.

14. The Bp. of Bath and Wells* preach'd on 6 John 17, a most excellent and pathetic discourse: after he had recommended the duty of fasting and other penitential dnties, he exhorted to constancy in the Protestant religion, detestation of the unheard-of cruelties of the French, and stirring up to a liberal contribution. This Sermon was the more acceptable, as it was unexpected from a Bishop who had undergon the censure of being inclin'd to Popery, the contrary whereof no man could shew more. This indeede did all our Bishops, to the disabusing and reproch of all their delators; for none were more zealous against Popery than they were.

16. I was at a review of the Army about London, in Hide Park, about 6000 horse and foote, in excellent order; his Ma^v and infinity of people being present.

17. I went to my house in the country, refusing to be present at what was to passe at the Privy Seale the next day. In the morning Dr. Tenison preach'd an incomparable discourse at White-hall, on 2 Timothy, 3, 4.

24. Dr. Cradock (Provost of Eaton) preached at the same place on 49 Psalm 13, shewing the vanity of earthly enjoyments.

29. Dr. White, Bp. of Peterboro', preach'd in a very eloquent style, on 26 Matthew 29, submission to the will of God on all accidents and at all times.

* Dr. Ken.

29. The Duke of Northumberland (a natural son of the late King by the Dutchess of Cleveland) marrying very meanly, with the helpe of his brother Grafton, attempted to spirit away his wife.

A Briefe was read in all Churches for relieving the French Protestants who came here for protection from the unheard-of cruelties of their King.

April 2. Sir Edward Hales, a papist, made Governor of Dover Castle *.

15. The Abp. of York † now died of y^e small pox, aged 62, a corpulent man. He was my special loving friend, and whilst Bp. of Rochester (from whence he was translated) my excellent neighbour. He was an unexpressible loose to y^e whole church, and that province especialy, he being a learned, wise, stoute, and most worthy prelate: I looke on this as a greate stroke to y^e poore Church of England, now in this defecting period.

18. In the afternoone I went to Camberwell to visit Dr. Parr. After sermon I accompanied him to his house, where he shew'd me the Life and Letters of the late learned Primate of Armagh (Usher), and among them that letter of Bp. Bramhal's to the Primate, giving notice of the Popish practices to pervert this Nation, by sending an hundred priests into England, who were to conforme themselves to all seccaries and conditions for the more easily dispersing their doctrine amongst us. This letter was the cause of y^e whole impression being set'd, upon pretence that it was a political or historical account of thungs not relating to theology, tho' it had ben licens'd by y^e Bishop, which plainly shew'd what an interest the Papists now had, that a Protestant booke, containing the life and letters of so eminent a man, was not to be publish'd. There were also many letters to and from most of y^e learned persons his correspondents in Europe. The book will, I doubt not, struggle through this unjust impediment.

* Not taking the Test, his excommunicatiōn was set up to forfeit his estate, and double the fine. When this was to be brought to trial, the judges were generally asked their opinions, and such as were not clear with the Court, were carried out. Many of them were Marshall, Burnet, III. 1110, 1111.

† Dr. John Dolben.

Several Judges were put out, and new complying ones put in.

25. This day was read in our church the Briefe for a collection for relief of y^e Protestant French, so cruelly, barbarously and inhumanly oppress'd without any thing laied to their charge. It had ben long expected, and at last was with difficulty procur'd to be publish'd, the interest of the French Ambassador obstructing it.

5 May. There being a Seale it was fear'd we should be requir'd to passe a doquett dispensing with D^r Obadiah Walker and four more, whereof one was an apostate curate of Putney *, y^e others officers of University College, Oxford, to hold their masterships, fellowships, and cures, and keepe publiq schooles, and enjoy all former emoluments, notwithstanding they no more frequented or us'd the public formes of prayers or communion with y^e Church of England, or took y^e test and oathes of allegiance and supremacy, contrary to 20 Acts of Parliament; which dispensation being also contrary to his Ma^rs^t owne gracious declaration at y^e beginning of his reigne, gave umbrage (as well it might) to every good Protestant, nor could we safely have pass'd it under the Privy Seale, wherefore it was done by immediate warrant, sign'd by Mr. Solicitor.

This Walker was a learned person, of a monkish life, to whose taition I had more than 30 yeares since recommended the sonns of my worthy friend Mr. Hyldyard of Horsly in Surry†, believing him to be far from what he prov'd, an hypocritical conceal'd Papist, by w^{ch} he perverted the eldest sonn of Mr. Hyldyard, S^r Edw^d Hale's eldest sonn, and severall more, to the greate disturbance of the whole Nation, as well as of the University, as by his now publiq defection appear'd. All engibes being now at work to bring in Popery, w^{ch} God in mercy prevent !

This day was burnt in the old Exchange, by the common hangman, a translation of a booke written by y^e famous Mons^t Claude, relating onely matters of fact concerning the horrid massacres and barbarous

* *R. Walker.* From a Protestant he became a Roman Catholic; and in 1689 he read his recantation from that church, and again became a Protestant. Manning and Bray's *Surrey*, III. 300.

† *See* *Antedates*, p. 259.

proceedings of y^e French King against his Protestant subjects, without any refutation of any facts therein; so mighty a power and ascendant here had the French Ambassie, who was doubtless in greate judgment at the pious and truly generous charity of all the Nation, for y^e relief of those miserable sufferers who came over for shelter.

About this time also the Duke of Savoy, instigated by y^e French King to extirpate the Protestants of Piedmont, slew many thousands of those innocent people, so that there seem'd to be an universal designe to destroy all that would not go to masse, throughout Europe.
Quod avertat D. O. M! No faith in Princes!

12. I refus'd to put the Privy Seal to Dr Walker's licence for printing and publishing divers Popist books, of which I complain'd both to my Lord of Canterbury (with whom I went to advise in the Council Chamber), and to my Lord Treasurer that evening at his lodgings. My Lord of Canterbury's advice was, that I should follow my owne conscience therein *; Mr. Treasurer's, that if in conscience I could dispense with it, for any other hazard he believ'd there was none. Notwithstanding this I persisted in my refusal.

29. There was no sermon on this anniversary, as there usually had ben ever since y^e reigne of the present King.

2 June. Such storms, raine and foul weather, seldom known at this time of the yeare. The camp at Hounslow Heath, from sickness and other inconveniences of weather, for'd to retire to quarters, y^e storms being succeeded by excessive hot weather, many grew sick. Greate feasting there, especially in Lord Dunbarton's quarters. There were many jealousies and discourses of what was the meaning of this incampment.

A Seale this day, mostly pardons and discharges of kn^g Baronets fees, w^{ch} having ben paſſ'd over for so many yeares, did greatly disoblige several families who had serv'd his Ma^y. Lord Threewell gon to Ireland, with greate powers and commissions, giving as much cause of talke as the camp, especially 19 new privy counsellors and judges being now made, amongst w^m but three Protestants, and Threewell made Generall.

New Judges also here, amongst wh^t was Milton, a Papist (brother to that Milton who wrote for y^e Regicides), who presum'd to take his place without passing y^e Test*. Scotland refuses to grant liberty of m^tasse to the Papists there.

The French persecution more inhuman than ever. The Protestants in Savoy successfully resist the French dragoons sent to murder them.

The King's chiefe physician in Scotland apostatizing from the Protestant religion, docs of his own accord publish his recantation at Edinburgh †.

11. I went to see Middleton's receptacle of water at the New River, and the new Spa Wells neere.

20. An extraordinary season of violent and sudden raine. The camp still in tents.

24. My Lord Treasurer settled my greate buisinesse with Mr. Prettyman, to which I hope God will at last give a prosperous issue.

25. Now his Ma^y, beginning with D^r Sharp and Tully, proceeded to silence and suspend divers excellent divines for preaching against Popery.

27. I had this day ben married 39 yeares — blessed be God for all his mercies.

The new very young Lord Cheif Justice Herbert declar'd on y^e bench that the government of England was entirely in the King; that the Crown was absolute; that penal laws were powers lodg'd in the Crown to enable the King to force the execution of the law, but were not bars to bind the King's power; that he could pardon all offences against the law, and forgive the penalties, and why could he not dispense with them? by which the Test was abolish'd. Every one was

* Christopher Milton made a Baron of the Exchequer. He did not hold his situation long, and Dr. Johnson admits that from weakness of constitution he retired before he had done any disappoinable act.

† Sir Robert Sibbald, who was the most learned antiquary in Scotland, had lived in a course of philosophical views, but in great doubt as to revealed religion; was prevailed on by the Earl of Perth to turn Papist; but he soon became ashamed of having done so on so little enquiry. He went to London for some months, retiring from all company, and went into a deep course of study, by which he came to see into the errors of Popery. He then returned to Scotland, and published his recantation openly in a church. Burnet's Own Times, III. 1198.

astonish'd. Greate jealousies sa. to what would be the end of these proceedings.

6 July. I supp'd with the Countesse of Rochester, where was also the Dutchesse of Buckingham and Madame de Governe, whose daughter was married to y^e Marquess of Halifax's sonn. She made me a character of y^e French King and Dauphin, and of y^e persecution. That they kept much of the cruelties from the King's knowledge; that the Dauphin was so afraid of his father, that he durst not let any thing appeare of his sentiments; that he hated letters and priests, spent all his time in hunting, and seem'd to take no notice of what was passing.

This lady was of a greate family and fortune, and had fled hither for refuge.

8. I waited on y^e Abp. at Lambeth, where I din'd and met the famous preacher and writer, Dr Allix*, doubtlesse a most excellent and learned person. The Abp. and he spoke Latin together, and that very readily.

11. Dr. Meggot, Deane of Winchester, preach'd before the Household in S^t George's chapell at Windsor, y^e late King's glorious chapell now seiz'd on by the masse priests. Dr Cartwright, Deane of Ripon, preach'd before the greate men of the Court in the same place.

We had now the sad news of the Bp. of Oxford's + death, an extraordinary losse to the poore Church at this time. Many candidates for his Bishoprick and Deanry, Dr. Parker, South, Aldrich, &c. Dr. Walker (now apostatizing) came to Court, and was doubtlesse very busiy.

13. Note, that standing by y^e Queene at Bassett (Cards) I ob. serv'd that she was exceedingly concernd for y^e losse of Bp.; her outward affability much chang'd to stateliness, since she has ben exalted.

The season very rainy and inconvenient for the Camp. His Ma^y very chefull.

14. Was seal'd at our office the Constitution of certaine Commiss-

* Allix, of whom before 1660.

Dr. John Allix, see Doctor of Saint Paul's.

moners to take upon them the full power of all Ecclesiastical affairs, in as unlimited a manner, or rather greater, than y^e late High Commission Court, abrogated by Parliament; for it had not onely faculty to inspect and visite all Bishops dioceses, but to change what laws and statutes they should think fit to alter among the Colledges, tho' founded by private men; to punish, suspend, fine, &c. give oathes and call witnesses. The maine drift was to suppresse zealous preachers. In sum, it was y^e whole power of a Vicar General — note y^e consequence! Of the Cleargy the Commissioners were the Abp. of Canterbury [Sancroft], Bishops of Durham [Crew] and Rochester [Sprat]; of y^e Temporals, the Lord Treasurer, the Lord Chancellor [Jefferies] (who alone was ever to be of the quorum), the Cheife Justice [Herbert], and Lord President [Earl of Sunderland].

18. I went to see Sir John Chardin at Greenewich.

4 Aug^t. I din'd at Sign^r Verrio's, y^e famous Italian Painter, now settled in his Ma^vs garden at St. James's, which he had made a very delicious Paradise.

8. Our Vicar gone to dispose of his country living in Rutlandshire, having St. Dunstan in y^e East given him by the Abp. of Canterbury.

I went to visite y^e Marquess Ravigné, now my neighbour at Greenwich, retir'd from the persecution in France. He was the Deputy of all y^e Protestants of that kingdom in the Parliament of Paris, and severall times Ambassador in this and other Courts; a person of greate learning and experience*.

8 Sept. Dr. Compton Bp. of London was on Monday suspended, on pretence of not silencing Dr. Sharp of St. Giles's for something of a sermon in which he zealously repriv'd the doctrine of the Roman Catholics. The Bishop having consulted the Civilians, they told him he could not by any Law proceed against Dr. Sharp without producing witnesses, and impleading according to forme; but it was over-rul'd by my Lord Chancellor, and the Bishop sentenc'd without so much as being heard to any purpose. This was thought a very extraordinary

* His son was with King William in Ireland, and was made Earl of Galway, but was dismissed by violence of party, as being a Frenchman, though his conduct had been in every respect most excellent, as will be mentioned hereafter.

way of proceeding, and was universally received, and so much the rathar for that 2 Bishops, Durham* and Rochester, sitting in the Commission and giving their suffrages, the Abp. of Canterbury refused to sit amongst them. He was only suspended *ab officio*, and that was soone after taken off. He was brother to the Earl of Northampton, had once ben a Souldier, had travelled in Italy, but became a sober, grave, and excellent Prelate.

12. Buda now taken from y^e Turks, a Form of Thanksgiving was order'd to be us'd in the (as yet remaining) Protestant Chapells and Church of White-hall and Windsor.

The King of Denmark was besieging Hambrow, no doubt by the French contrivance, to embroile the Protestant Princes in a new warr, that Holland, &c. being ingag'd, matter for new quarrell might arise: the unheard-of persecution of the poore Protestants still raging more than ever.

22. The Danes retire from Hambrow, the Protestant Princes appearing for their succour, and the Emperor sending his Minutaries to the King of Denimark, and also requiring the restoration of the D. of Saxe Gothorp. Thus it pleas'd God to defeat the French designes, wh^{ch} were evidently to kindle a new warr.

14 Oct. His Ma^r birth-day; I was at his rising in his bed-chamber, afterwards in the Parks, where 4 companies of Guards were drawn up. The officers, &c. wonderful rich and gallant; they did not head their troops, but their next officers, y^e Colonels being on horseback by the King whilst they march'd. The Ladys not less splendid at Court, where there was a Ball at night, but small appearance of mirth. All the shops both in the City and Suburbs were shut up, and kept as solemnly as any holyday. Bonfires at night in Westmister, but forbidden in y^e City.

17. Dr. Patric, Deane of Peterborow, preached at Christ Church on 5 Ephes. 18. 19. shewing the example of the ancient Saints in serving God with Humble, and their example of shew upon all occasions pertringing the protestant way of merit and mea-

perance of this ungodly age. Afterwards I visited my Lord Cheife Justice of Ireland, with whom I had long and private discourse concerning the miserable condition that kingdom was like to be in if Tyrconnell's Coucils should prevale at Court.

23. Went with the Countesse of Sunderland to Cranbourn, a lodge and walke of my Lord Godolphin's in Windsor Parke. There was one room in the house spared in the pulling downe the old one, because the late Dutchesse of York was borne in it; the rest was built and added to it by Sir Geo. Carteret, Treasurer of the Navy; and since the whole was purchas'd by my Lord Godolphin, who spake to me to go see it, and advise what trees were fit to be cut downe to improve the dwelling, it being inviron'd with old rotten pollards, which corrupt the aire. It stands on a knowle, which tho' insensibly rising, gives it a prospect over the Keepe of Windsor, about three miles N. E. of it. The ground is clayey and moist; the water stark naught; the park is pretty; the house tolerable, and gardens convenient. After dinner we came back to London, having 2 coaches both going and coming, of 6 horses apiece, w^{ch} we chang'd at Hounslow.

24 Oct. Dr. Warren preached before the Princesse at White-hall on 5 Matthew, of the blessedness of the pure in heart, most elegantly describing the blisse of the beatifical vision. In the afternoone S^r Geo. Wheeler kn^t and bart. preach'd on the 4th Matt. upon the necessity of repentance, at St. Margaret's, an honest and devout discourse, and pretty tolerably perform'd. This gentleman coming from his travels out of Greece fell in love with the daughter of S^r Tho^r Higgins, his Ma^m Resident at Venice, niece to the Earle of Bath, and married her. When they return'd into England, being honour'd with knighthood, he would needes turne Preacher, and tooke orders. He publish'd a learned and ingenious book of his travels, and is a very worthy person, a little formal and particular, but exceedingly devote *.

* Sir George Wheeler was born whilst his parents were in exile at Breda for their attachment to King Charles I. He was of Lincoln College, Oxford. On his return from his travels in Asia and Greece, he was knighted. Having presented several antiquities which he had collected to the University of Oxford in 1683, they gave him his degree of A.M. He took orders against the advice of powerful friends, but from an earnest desire to be useful as a Parish Priest; and he well fulfilled

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at the end, where are four statues, representing St. John, St. Peter, St. Paul, and the Church, in white marble, the work of Mr. Gibbons, with all the carving and pillars of exquisite art and greate cost. The altar-piege is the Salutation; the volto in fresca, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin according to their tradition, with our Bl. Saviour, and a world of figures, painted by Verrio. The throne where the King and Queene sit is very glorious, in a closet above, just opposite to the altar. Here we saw the Bishop in his mitre and rich copes, with 6 or 7 Jesuits and others in rich copes, sumptuously habited, often taking off and putting on the Bishop's mitre, who sate in a chaire with armes pontificaly, was ador'd and cens'd by 3 Jesuits in their copes; then he went to the altar and made divers cringes, then censing the images and glorious tabernacle plac'd on the altar, and now and then changing place; the crosier, w^{ch} was of silver, was put into his hand with a world of mysterious ceremony, the musiq playing, with singing. I could not have believ'd I should ever have scene such things in the King of England's Palace, after it had pleas'd God to enlighten this Nation: but our greate sin has, for the present, eclips'd the blessing, w^{ch} I hope He will in mercy and his good time restore to its parity.

Little appearance of any Winter as yet.

1687. 1 Jan. Mr. Wake preach'd at St. Martin's on 1 Tim. 3. 16. concerning the mysterie of Godlincsse. He wrote excellently in answer to the Bishop of Meaux.

3. A seal to confirm a gift of £4000 *per annum* for 99 yeares to the Lord Treasurer out of the Post Office, and £1700 *per annum* for ever out of Lord Gray's estate.

There was now another change of the greate Officers. The Treasury was put into Commission, two profess'd Papists amongst them, viz. Lords Bellasis and Dover, joyn'd with the old ones, Lord Godolphin, Sir Stephen Fox, and Sir J. Earnley.

17. Much expectation of severall greate men declaring themselves Papists. Lord Tyrconnell gone to succeed the Lord Lieutenant [Clarendon] in Ireland, to the astonishment of all sober men, and to the evident ruine of the Protestants in that Kingdom, as well as of its greate improvement going on. Much discourse that all the White Staff

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Ireland) finding not the least failure of duty in him during his government of that kingdom, so that his recall plainly appeared to be from the stronger influence of the Papists, who now got all the pre-ferments.

Most of the greate Officers, both in the Court and Country, Lord and others, were dismiss'd, as they would not promise his Majesty their consent to the repeal of the Test and penal Statutes against Popish Recusants. To this end most of the Parliament men were spoken to in his Ma^{ts} closset, and such as refus'd, if in any place or office of trust civil or military, were put out of their employments. This was a time of greate trial, but hardly one of them assented, which put the Popish interest much backward. The English Clergy every where preach'd boldly against their superstition and errors, and were wonderfully follow'd by the People. Not one considerable proselyte was made in all this time. The party were exceedingly put to the worst by the preaching and writing of the Protestants in many excellent treatises, evincing the doctrine and discipline of the Reform'd Religion, to the manifest disadvantage of their adversaries. To this did not a little contribute the sermon preach'd at White-hall before the Princesse of Denmark and a great croud of People, and at least 30 of the greatest Nobility, by Dr Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, on 8. John 46 (the Gospel of the day) describing thro' his whole discourse the blasphemies, perfidy, wresting of Scripture, preference of tradition before it, spirit of persecution, superstition, legends and fables of the Scribes and Pharisees, so that all the auditory understood his meaning of a parallel between them and the Romish Priests, and their new Trent Religion. He exhorted his audience to adhere to the written Word, and to persevere in the Faith taught in the Church of England, whose doctrine for Catholic and soundness he preferr'd to all the Communities and Churches of Christians in the world; concluding with a kind of prophesy, that whatever it suffer'd, it should after a short trial emerge to the confusion of her adversaries, and the glory of God.

I went this evening to see the order of the boys and children at Christ's Hospital. There were neere 800 boys and girls so decently clad, cleanly lodg'd, so wholesomly fed, so admirably taught, some th

Mathematics, especially the 40 of the late King's foundation, that I was delighted to see the progresse some little youths of 13 and 14 yeares of age had made. I saw them at supper, visited their dormitories, and much admir'd the order, economy, and excellent goverment of this most charitable seminary. Some are taught for the Universities, others design'd for Seamen, all for Trades and Callings. The girles are instructed in all such worke as becomes their sex and may fit them for good wives, mistresses, and to be a biessing to their generation. They sung a psalme before they sat downe to supper in the greate hall, to an organ, which play'd all the time, with such cheerfull harmony that it seem'd to me a vision of angels. I came from the place with infinite satisfaction, having never seene a more noble, pious and admirable Charity. All these consisted of orphans onely*. The Foundation was of that pious Prince K. Edw. 6. whose picture (held to be an original of Holbein) is in the Court where the Governors meete to consult on the affaires of the Hospital, and his statue in white marble stands in a nich of the wall below, as you go to the Church, which is a modern, noble and ample fabric. This Foundation has had, and still has, many Benefactors.

16 March. I saw a trial of those devilish murdering mischief-doing engines called Bombs, shot out of the morter-piece on Black-heath. The distance that they are cast, the destruction they make wheres they fall, is prodigious.

20. The Bishop of Bath and Wells (Dr. Ken) preach'd at St. Martins to a crowd of people not to be express'd; nor the wonderful eloquence of this admirable preacher: the text was 26 Matt. 36 to verse 40, describing the bitterness of our Bl. Saviour's agony, the ardour of his love, the infinite obligations we have to imitate his patience and resignation: the means by watching against temptations, and over ourselves; with fervent prayer to attaine it, and the exceeding reward in the end. Upon all which he made most pathetrical discourses. The Communion followed, at which I was participant. I afterwards din'd at Dr. Tenison's with the Bishop and that young, most learned, pious and

* This is by no means the case now (1816.)

excellent preacher, Mr. Wake *. In the afternoone I went to heare Mr. Wake at the new-built church of St. Anne, on 8 Mark 34, upon the subject of taking-up the Crosse, and strenuously behaving ourselves in time of persecution, as this now threaten'd to be.

His Ma^g againe prorogu'd the Parliament, foreseeing it would not remitt the Laws against Papists, by the extraordinary zeale and bravery of its Members, and the free renunciation of the greate Officers both in Court and State, who would not be prevail'd with for any temporal concerne.

25. Good Friday. Dr. Tenison preached at St. Martines, on 1 Peter 2. 24. "During the service a man came into neere the middle of the church, with his sword drawne, with severall others in that posture; in this jealous time it put the congregation into greate confusion; but it appear'd to be one who fled for sanctuary, being pursued by Bayliffs.

8 April. I had a re-hearing of my great Cause at the Chancery in Westm^t Hall, having 7 of the most learned Council, my adversary 5, among w^{ch} were the Attorney General and late Solicitor Finch, son to the Lord Chancellor Nottingham. The account was at last brought to one article of the surcharge, and referr'd to a Master. The Cause lasted two hours and more.

10. In the last weeke there was issu'd a Dispensation from all obligations and tests, by which Dissenters and Papists especially had publique liberty of exercising their severall ways of worship without incurring the penalty of the many Laws and Acts of Parliament to the contrary. This was purely obtain'd by the Papists, thinking thereby to ruine the Church of England, being now the onely Church which so admirably and strenuously oppos'd their superstition. There was a wonderful concourse of people at the Dissenters' Meeting-house in this parish, and the Parish Church [Deptford] left exceeding thin. What this will end in, God Almighty onely knows, but it looks like confusion, which I pray God avert.

11. To London about my suit, some terms of accommodation being propos'd.

* Afterwards Archbishop of Canterbury.

19. I heard the famous singer Cifaccio, esteem'd the best in Europe. Indeed his holding out and delicateness in extending and looseing a note with incomparable softnesse and sweetnesse was admirable; for the rest I found him a mere wanton, effeminate child, very coy, and proudly conceited to my apprehension. He touch'd the harpsichord to his voice rarely well. This was before a select number of particular persons whom Mr. Pepys invited to his house; and this was obtain'd by particular favour and much difficulty, the Signor much disdaining to shew his talent to any but princes.

24. At Greenwich, at the conclusion of the Church service, there was a French sermon preach'd after the use of the English Liturgy translated into French, to a congregatiōn of about 100 French Refugees, of whom Mons^r Ruvigny was the cheife, and had obtain'd the use of the Church after the Parish service was ended. The Preacher patheticaly exhorted to patience, constancy, and reliance on God amidst all their sufferings, and the infinite rewards to come.

2 May. I din'd with Mynheer Diskvelts, the Holland Ambass^t, a prudent and worthy person. There din'd Lord Middleton principal Secretary of State, Lord Pembroke, Lord Lamley, Lord Preston, Col. Fitz Patrick, and Sir John Chardin. After dinner the Ambass^t discours'd of and deplored the stupid folly of our politics, in suffering the French to take Luxemburg, it being a place of the most concern to have ben defended, for the interest not onely of the Netherlands, but of England.

12. To London. Lord Sunderland being Lord President and Secretary of State, was made Kn^t of the Garter and prime favorite.—This day there was such a storme of wind as had seldom happen'd, being a sort of hurricane. It kept the flood out of the Thames, so that people went on foote over several places above bridge. Also an earthquake in several places in England about the time of the storme.

26. To London about my agreement with Mr. Pretyman after my tedious suit:

2 June. I went to London, it having pleas'd his Ma^y to grant me a Privy Seal for £.6000, for discharge of the debt I had been so many yeares persecuted for, it being indeede for mony drawne over by my

father in law S^r R. Browne, during his residence in the Court of France, and so with a much greater sum due to Sir Richd from his Ma^t; and now this part of the arreare being paid, there remains yet due to me, as executor of S^r Richd, above £6500 more; but this determining an expensive chancery suit has ben so greate a merey and providence to me (thro' the kindness and friendship to me of Lord Godolphin, one of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury) that I do acknowledge it with all imaginable thanks to my gracious God.

6 June. I visited my Lady Pierpoint, daughter to Sir John Evelyn of Deane [in Wilts], now widow of M^r Pierpoint, and mother of the Earl of Kingston. She was now engag'd in the marriage of my cousin Evelyn Pierpoint, her second son.

There was about this time brought into the Downs a vast treasure, wh^{ch} was sunk in a Spanish galloon about 45 years ago somewhere neere Hispaniola or the Bahama islands, and was now weigh'd up by some gentlemen, who were at the charge of divers, &c. to the enriching them beyond all expectation. The Duke of Albemarle's* share [Governor of Jamaica] came to, I believe, £50,000. Some private gentlemen who adventur'd £100 gain'd from 8 to £10,000. His Majesty's tenth was £10,000.

The Camp was now againe pitch'd at Hounslow, the Commanders profusely vying in the expence and magnificence of tents.

12. Our Vicar preached on 2 Peter 2, 21, upon the danger of relapsing into sin. After this I went and heard M^r. Lamot, an eloquent French preacher at Greenwich, on 30 Prov. 8, 9, a consolatory discourse to the poore and religious refugees who escaped out of France in the cruel persecution.

16. I went to Hampton Court to give his Ma^t thanks for his late gracious favor, tho' it was but granting what was due. Whilst I was in the Council Chamber, came in some persons at the head of whom was a formal man with a large roll of parchment in his hand, being an

* The Duke's share amounted to considerably more—it was said about £90,000. A medal was struck on this occasion, which is engrav'd in Mr. Evelyn's book on that subject, No. LXXXVII. p. 161.

Addresse (as he said, for he introduc'd it with a speech) of the people of Coventry giving his Ma^y their greate acknowledgements for his granting a liberty of conscience; he added that this was not the application of one party onely, but the unanimous address of Church of England men, Presbyterians, Independents and Anabaptists, to shew how extensive his Ma^y's grace was, as taking in all parties to his indulgence and protection, which had taken away all dissensions and animosities, w^{ch} would not onely units them in bonds of Christian charity, but exceedingly encourage their future industry, to the improvement of trade, and spreading his Ma^y's glory throughout the world; and that now he had given to God his empire, God would establish his; with expressions of greate loyalty nad submission; and so he gave the roll to the King, w^{ch} being return'd to him againe his Ma^y caus'd him to read. The Addresse was short, but much to the substance of ye Speech of their foreman, to whom the King, pulling off his hat, sayd, that what he had don in giving liberty of conscience, was, what was ever his judgment ought to be don; and that as he would preserve them in their enjoyment of it during his reigne, so he would indeavour to settle it by Law, that it should never be alter'd by his successors. After this he gave them his hand to kiss. It was reported the subscribers were above 1000.

But this is not so remarkable as an Addresse of the weeke before (as I was assur'd by one present) of some of the *Family of Love*. His Ma^y ask'd them what this worship consisted in, and how many their party might consist of; they told him their custom was to read the Scripture and then to preach, but did not give any further account, onely sayd that for the rest they were a sort of refin'd Quakers, but their number very small, not consisting, as they sayd, of above three-score in all, and those chiefly belonging to the lake of Ely.

18. I din'd at Mr. Blathwaite's (2 miles from Hampton). This gentleman is Secretary of War, Clerk of the Counsel, &c. having rais'd himselfe by his industry from very moderate circumstances. He is a very proper, handsome person, and very dexterous in business, and besides all this, has married a greate fortane. His Secretary to the Army, Counsel, and Secretary to ye Committee of fortaine plantations, bring him in above £2000 per ann.

23. The privy seal for £.6000 was pass'd to me, so that this tedious affaire was dispatch'd. Hitherto a very windy and tempestuous summer. — The French sermons to the refugees were continu'd at Greenewich Church.

19 July. I went to Wotton. In the way I din'd at Ashted with my Lady Mordaunt.

5 Aug. I went to see Albury, now purchas'd by Mr. Finch (the King's Solicitor, and son to the late Lord Chancellor); I found the garden w^{ch} I first design'd for the Duke of Norfolk, nothing improv'd.

15. I went to visite Lord Clarendon at Swallow-field, where was my Lord Cornbery just ariv'd from Denmark, whither he had accom-
panied the Prince of Denmark two months before, and now come back.
Ths miserable tyranny under which that nation lives he related to us;
the King keeps them under by an army of 40,000 men, all Germans,
he not daring to trust his owne subjects. Notwithstanding this, the
Danes are exceeding proud, the country very poore and miserable.

22. Returned home to Says Court from Wotton, having ben five
weekes absent with my brother and friends, who entertained us very
nobly. God be praised for his goodnesse, and this refreshment after my
many troubles, and let his mercy and providence ever preserve me. Amen.

3 Sept. The Lord Mayor sent me an Officer with a Staff, to be one
of the Governors of St Thomas's Hospital.

Persecution raging in France; divers churches there fir'd by light-
ning, Priests struck, consecrated hosts, &c. burnt and destroy'd, both
at St Malo's and Paris, at y^e grand procession on Corpus Christi day.

19. I went to Lambeth, and din'd with the Abp. After dinner I
retired into the library, which I found exceedingly improv'd; there are
also divers rare manuscripts in a roome apart.

6 Oct. I was godfather to St John Chardin's sonn, christen'd at
Greenewich Church, nam'd John. The Earle of Bath and Countesse
of Carlisle, the other Sponsors.

29. An Anabaptist, a very odd ignorant person, a mechanic I think,
was Lord Mayor *. The King and Queene, and Dadi + the Pope's

* Sir John Peake.

+ Count D'Ada, made afterwards a Cardinal for his services in this embassy.

Nuncio, invited to feast at Guildhall. A strange turne of affaires, that those who scandaliz'd the Church of England as favourers of Popery, should publicly invite an emissary from Rome, one who represented the very person of their Antichrist!

10 Dec. My son was return'd out of Devon, where he had ben on a Commission from the Lords of the Treasury, about a concealment of land.

20. I went with my Lord Cheife Justice Herbert to see his house at Walton on Thames *: it is a barren place. To a very ordinary house he had built a very handsome library, designing more building to it than the place deserves in my opinion. He desir'd my advice about laying out his gardens, &c. The next day we went to Weybridge to see some pictures of the Dutchesse of Norfolk's, particularly the statue, or child in gremio, said to be of Mich. Angelo, but there are reasons to think it rather a copy, from some proportion in the figures ill taken. It was now expos'd to sale.

1688. 12 Jan. Mr. Slingsby, Master of the Mint, being under very deplorable circumstances on account of his creditors, and especially the King, I did my endeavor with y^e Lords of the Treasury to be favourable to him.

My Lord Arran, eldest son to the Duke of Hamilton, being now married to Lady Ann Spencer, eldest daughter of the Earle of Sunderland, Lord President of the Council, I and my family had most glorious favours sent us, the wedding being celebrated with extraordinary splendour.

15. There was a solemn and particular Office us'd at our, and all the Churches of London and 10 miles round, for a thanksgiving to God, for her Majesty being with child.

22. This afternoone I went not to Church, being employed on a religious treatise I had undertaken †.

* This is a mistake; the house was Oatlands in Weybridge. He followed the fortunes of King James, who gave him his great seal. He was attainted, and Oatlands given to his brother Adam Herbert. He published an apology for the judgment he had given in favour of the King's dispensing powers, which was answered by Mr. Attwells and Mr. Robert Arden. —— Merton and Petty's Hist. of Surrey, II. 796.

† What this was does not appear; but there are several of his compositions, remaining in Ms.

Post annum 1588—1660—1688, Annus Mirabilis Tertius *.

Jan. 30. Being the Martyrdaye day of K. Charles y^e First, our Curate made a florid oration against the murder of that excellent Prince, with an exhortation to obedience from the example of David, 1 Samuel 24, 6.

12 Feb. My daughter Evelyn going in the coach to visite in the Citty, a jolt (the doore being not fast shut) flung her quite out in such manner as the hind wheeles passed over her a little above her kneees. Yet it pleased God besides the bruises of the wheeles she had no other harme. In two days she was able to walke, and soone after perfectly well; thro' God Almighty's greate mercy to an excellent wife and a most dutiful and discrete daughter-in-law.

17 Mar. I receiv'd the sad news of my niece Mountague's death at Woodcot on the 15th.

15 Mar. I gave in my account about the Sick and Wounded, in order to have my quietus.

23. Dr. Parker, Bishop of Oxford, who so lately publish'd his extravagant treatise about transubstantiation, and for abrogating the Test and Penal Laws, died. He was esteem'd a violent, passionate, haughty man, but yet being press'd to declare for the Church of Rome, he utterly refus'd it. A reinarkeable end.

The French Tyrant now finding he could make no proselytes amongst those Protestants of quality, and others, whom he had caus'd to be shut up in dungeons, and confin'd to nunneries and monasteries, gave them, after so long trial, a general releasement, and leave to go out of the kingdom, but utterly taking away their estates, and their children; so that greate numbers came daily into England and other places, where they were receiv'd and reliev'd with very considerate Christian charity. This Providence and goodnesse of God to those who thus constantly held out, did so work upon those miserable poore souls, who, to avoyd the persecution sign'd their renunciation, and to save their estates went to masse, that reflecting on what they had don, they grew so affected in their conscience, that not being able to support it, they in greate numbers thro' all the French provinces, acquainted the Magistrates and

* This seems added after the page was written.

Lieutenants that, being sorry for their apostacy, they were resolv'd to return to their old religion; that they would go no more to masse, but peaceably assemble when they could, to beg pardon and worship God, but so without weapons as not to give the least umbrage of rebellion or sedition, imploring their pity and commiseration; and accordingly meeting so from time to time, the dragoon missionaries, Popish officers and priests, fell upon them, murder'd and put them to death, whoever they could lay hold on; they without the least resistance embraced death, torture or hanging, with singing psalmes and praying for their persecutors to the last breath, yet still continuing the former assembling of themselves in desolate places, suffering with incredible constancy, that thro' God's mercy they might obtain pardon for this lapse. Such examples of Christian behaviour have not ben seen since the primitive persecutions; and doubtlesse God will do some signal worke in the end, if we can with patience and resignation hold out, and depend on his Providence.

24 Mar. I went with S^r Charles Littleton to Sheens, an house and estate given him by Lord Brouncker; one who was ever noted for a hard, covetous, vicious man, but for his worldly craft and skill in gaming few exceeded him. Coming to die, he bequeath'd all his land, house, furniture, &c. to Sir Charles, to whom he had no manner of relation; but an ancient friendship contracted at the famous siege of Colchester, 40 yeares before. It is a pretty place, with fine gardens, and well planted, and given to one worthy of them, Sir Charles being an honest gentleman and souldier. He is brother to Sir Henry Littleton of Worcestershire, whose greate estate he is likely to inherit, his brother being without children. They are descendants of the great lawyer of that name, and give the same arms and motto. He is married to one Mrs. Temple, formerly maide of honour to the late Queene, a beautiful lady, and he has many fine children, so that none envy his good fortune.

After dinner we went to see S^r W^m Temple's neete to it; the most remarkable things are his orangerie and gardens, where the wall fruit trees are most exquisitely nail'd and train'd, far better than I ever noted.

There are many good pictures, especialy of Vandyke's, in both these houses, and some few statuēs and small busts in the latter.

From thence we went to Kew, to visite Sir Henry Capell's, whose orangerie and myrtelium are most beautifull and perfectly well kept. He was contriving very high palisados of reeds to shade his oranges during the summer, and painting those reeds in oil.

1 April. In the morning the first sermon was by Dr. Stillingfleet Dean of St. Paul's (at Whitehall) on 10 Luke 41, 42. The holy Communion follow'd, but was so interrupted by the rude breaking in of multitudes zealous to hear the second sermon, to be preach'd by the Bp. of Bath and Wells, that the latter part of that holy office could hardly be heard, or the sacred elements be distributed without greate trouble. The Princesse being come, he preach'd on 7 Mich. 8, 9, 10. describing the calamity of the Reform'd church of Judah under the Babylonian persecution, for her sins, and God's delivery of her on her repentance; that as Judah emerg'd so should the now Reform'd Church, wherever insulted and persecuted. He preach'd with his accustomed action, zeal, and energy, so that people flock'd from all quarters to heare him.

15 April. A dry, cold, backward spring, easterly winds.

The persecution still raging in France, multitudes of Protestants, and many very considerable and greate persons flying hither, produc'd a second general contribution, the Papists, by God's Providence, as yet making small progress amongst us.

29. The woather was, till now, so cold and sharp, by an almost perpetual East wind, which had continued many monthes, that there was little appearance of any Spring, and yet the Winter was very favourable as to frost and snow.

2 May. To London about my petition for allowances upon the account of Commissioner for sick and wounded in the former war with Holland.

8. His Mat^y, alarm'd by the greate fletee of the Dutch (whilst we had a very inconsiderable one), went down to Chatham; their fletee was well prepar'd, and out, before we were in any readinesse, or had any considerable number to have encounter'd them had there ben occa-

sion, to the great reproach of the Nation; whilst being in profound peace, there was a mighty land army, wth there was no neede of, and no force at sea, where only was the apprehension; but the army was doubtless kept and increas'd in order to bring in and countenance Popery, the King beginning to discover his intentions, by many instances perswad by the Jesuits, against his first resolution to alter nothing in the Church establishment, so that it appear'd there can be no reliance on Popish promises.

18. The King injoying the ministers to read his Declaration for giving liberty of conscience (as it was styl'd) in all the Churches of England, this evening 6 Bishops, Bath and Wells*, Peterborough†, Ely‡, Chichester§, S^t Asaph||, and Bristol¶, in the name of all the rest of the Bishops, came to his Ma^ty to petition him that he would not impose the reading of it to the several congregations within their diocesses; not that they were averse to the publishing of it for want of due tendernesse towards Dissenters, in relation to whom they should be willing to come to such a temper as should be thought fit, when that matter might be consider'd and settl'd in Parliament and Convocation; but that, the Declaration being founded on such a dispensing power as might at pleasure set aside all Laws Ecclesiastical and Civil, it appear'd to them illegal, as it had done to the Parliament in 1661 and 1672, and that it was a point of such consequence, that they could not so far make themselves parties to it, as the reading of it in Church in time of divine service amounted to.

The King was so far incens'd at this addresse, that he with threatening expressions commanded them to obey him in reading it at their perils, and so dismiss'd them.

20. I went to White-hall Chapell, where, after the morning lessons, the Declaration was read by one of y^e Choir who us'd to read the chapters. I heare it was read in the Abby Church, Westminster, but almost universaly forborne throughout all London, the consequences of which a little time will shew.

* Thomas Ken.
† Thomas Wallis
‡ John Lake,

|| William Lloyd

¶ George Purcell
|| Sir John Pollexfen, Bart.

25. All the discourse now was about the Bishops refusing to read y^e injunction for y^e abolition of the Test, &c. It seems the injunction came so crudely from the Secretary's office, that it was neither seal'd nor sign'd in forme, nor had any Lawyer ben consulted, so as the Bishops, who took all imaginable advice, put the Court to greate difficulties how to proceede against them. Greate were the consults, and a proclamation expected all this day, but nothing was don. The action of the Bishops was universaly applauded, and reconcil'd many adverse parties, Papists only excepted, who were now exceedingly perplex'd, and violent courses were every moment expected. Report was that the Protestant secular Lords and Nobility would abett the Clergy.

The Queene Dowager, hitherto bent on her returne into Portugal, now on the sudden, on allegation of a greate debt oweing her by his Ma^t disabling her, declares her resolution to stay.

News ariv'd of the most prodigious earthquake that was almost ever heard of, subverting the city of Lima and country in Peru, with a dreadfull inundation following it.

8 June. This day the Archibishop of Canterbury, with the Bishops of Ely, Chichester, S^t Asaph, Bristol, Peterborough, and Bath and Wells, were sent from the Privy Council prisoners to the Tower, for refusing to give baile for their appearance, on their not reading the Declaration for liberty of conscience; they refus'd to give baile, as it would have prejudic'd their Peerage. The concern of the people for them was wonderfull, infinite crouds on their knees begging their blessing, and praying for them as they pass'd out of the barge along the Tover-wharfe.

10. A young Prince borne, which will cause disputes.

About 2 o'clock we heard the Tower ordnance discharg'd, and the bells ringing for the birth of a Prince of Wales. This was very surprizing, it having ben universally given out that her Ma^t did not look till the next moneth.

13. I went to the Tower to see the Bishops, visited the Abp. and Bps. of Ely, S^t Asaph, and Bath and Wells.

14. Din'd with my Lord Chancellor.

15 June. Being the first day of Term, the Bishops were brought to Westminster on Habeas Corpus, when the Indictment was read, and they were called on to plead; their Counsel objected that the Warrant was illegal, but after long debate it was over-ruled, and they pleaded. The Court then offered to take bail for their appearance, but this they refused, and at last were dismissed on their own recognizances to appear that day fortnight; the Abp. in 200*l.* the Bishops 100*l.* each.

29. They appeared; the trial lasted from 9 in the morning to past 6 in the evening, when the Jury retired to consider of their verdict, and the Court adjourned to 9 the next morning. The Jury were locked up till that time, 11 of them being for an acquittal, but one (Arnold a brewer) would not consent. At length he agreed with the others. The Chief Justice Wright behaved with great moderation and civility to the Bishops. Alibone, a Papist, was strongly against them; but Holloway and Powell, being of opinion in their favour, they were acquitted. When this was heard, there was great rejoicing; and there was a lane of people from the King's Bench to the water side, on their knees, as the Bishops pass'd and repass'd, to beg their blessing. Bonfires were made that night, and bells rung, which was taken very ill at Court, and an appearance of neere 60 Earls and Lords, &c. on the bench, did not a little comfort them, but indeede they were all along full of comfort and cheerfull.

Note, they denied to pay the Lieut. of the Tower (Hales, who us'd them very surly) any fees, alledging that none were due.

17. Was a day of Thanksgiving in London and 10 miles about for the young Prince's birth; a form of prayer made for the purpose by the Bp. of Rochester.

The night was solemniz'd with bonfires and other fire-works, &c.

2 July. The two Judges Holloway and Powell were displaced.

3. I went with Dr. Godolphin and his brother Sir W^m to St. Alban's to see a library he would have bought of the widow of Dr. Cartwrite, late Archdeacon of St. Alban's, a very good collection of books, especially in divinity; he was to give £300 for them. Having seen the *greate Church*, now newly repair'd by a publick contribution, we return'd home.

8. One of the King's Chaplains preach'd before the Princess on 14 Exodus 13, "Stand still and behold the salvation of the Lord," w^{ch} he applied so boldly to the present conjuncture of the Church of England, that more could scarce be said to encourage despilers. The Popish Priests were not able to carry their cause against their learned adversaries, who confounded them both by their disputes and writings.

12. The Camp now began at Hounslow, but the Nation was in high discontent.

Col. Titus, Sir Hen. Vane (son of him who was executed for his treason), and some other of the Presbyterians and Independent party, were sworne of y^e Privy Council, from hopes of thereby diverting that party from going over to y^e Bishops and Church of England, which now they began to do, foreseeing the designe of the Papists to descend and take in their most hateful of heretics (as they at other times expressed them to be) to effect their own ends, now evident; the utter extirpation of the Church of England first, and then the rest would follow.

17 July. This night the *Fireworks* were plaied off, that had ben prepar'd for the Queene's up-sitting. We saw them to great advantage; they were very fine, and cost some thousands of pounds, in the pyramids, statues, &c. but were spent too soone for se long a preparation.

26. I went to Lambeth to visit the Archbp. whom I found very cheerfull.

10 Aug. Dr. Tenison now told me there would suddenly be some greate thing discover'd. This was the Prince of Orange intending to come over.

15. I went to Althorp in Northamptonshire, 70 miles. A coach and 4 horses took up me and my soun at White-hall, and carried us to Dunstable, where we ariv'd and diod at noone, and from thence another coach and 6 horses carried us to Althorp, 4 miles beyond Northampton, where we ariv'd by 7 o'clock that evening. Both these coaches were hir'd for me by that noble Countesse of Sunderland, who invited me to her house at Althorp*, where she entertain'd me and my soun with very extraordinary kindness; I stay'd till the Thursday.

* See a former visit to this place, p. 478.

18. Dr. Jeffries, the minister of Althorp, who was my Lord's chaplain when Ambass^t in France, preach'd the shortest discourse I ever heard; but what was defective in the amplitude of his sermon, he had supplied in the largeness and convenience of the Parsonage house, w^{ch} the D^r (who had at least £.600 a year in spiritual advancement) had new built, and made fit for a person of quality to live in, with gardens and all accommodation according therewith.

My lady carried us to see Lord Northampton's seat, a very strong large house, built with stone, not altogether modern. They were enlarging the garden, in which was nothing extraordinary, except the iron gate opening into the Park, w^{ch} indeede was very good work, wrought in flowers, painted with blue and gilded. There is a noble walke of elmes towards the front of the house by the bowling greene. I was not in any roome of the house besides a lobby looking into the garden, where my Lord and his new Countesse (S^r. Ste. Fox's daughter, whom I had knowne from a child) entertain'd the Countesse and her daughter the Countesse of Arran (newly married to the son of the Duke of Hamilton) with so little good grace, and so dully, that our visite was very short, and so we return'd to Althorp, 12 miles distant.

The house, or rather palace, at Althorp, is a noble uniform pile in form of a half H, built of brick and freestone, ballusted and à la moderne; the hall is well, the staircase excellent; the roomes of state, gallerys, offices and furniture, such as may become a greate Prince. It is situate in the midst of a garden, exquisitely planted and kept, and all this in a parke wall'd in with hewn stone, planted with rows and walkes of trees, canals and fish ponds, and stor'd with game. And what is above all this, govern'd by a lady, who without any shew of sollicitude, keepes every thing in such admirable order, both within and without, from the garret to the cellar, that I do not believe there is any in this nation, or in any other, that exceeds her in such exact order, without ostentation, but substantially greate and noble. The meanest servant is lodg'd so neat and cleanly; the service at the several tables, the good order and decency—in a word, the intire economy is perfectly becoming a wise and noble person. She is one who for her distinguish'd esteeme of me from a long and worthy friendship, I must ever honour and cele-

brate. I wish from my soul the Lord her husband (whose parts and abilities are otherwise conspicuous) was as worthy of her, as by a fatal apostacy and court ambition he has made himself unworthy. This is what she deplores, and it renders her as much affliction as a lady of greate soul and much prudence is capable of. The Countesse of Bristol, her mother, a grave and honorable lady, has the comfort of seeing her daughter and grandchildren under the same economy, especialy Mr. Charles Spencer*, a youth of extraordinary hopes, very learned for his age, and ingenious, and under a governor of greate worth. Happy were it could as much be said of the elder brother, the Lord Spencer who, rambling about y^e world, dishonours both his name and his family, adding sorrow to sorrow to a mother who has taken all imaginable care of his education. There is a daughter very young married to the Earl of Clancartie, who has a greate and faire estate in Ireland, but who yet gives no greate presage of worth,—so universally contaminated is the youth of this corrupt and abandon'd age! But this is againe recompenc'd by my Lord Arran, a sober and worthy gentleman, who has espous'd the Lady Ann Spencer, a young lady of admirable aecomplishments and virtue.

23. I left this noble place and conversation, my lady having provided carriages to couvey us back in the same manner as we went, and a dinner being prepared at Dunstable against our arival. Northampton, having ben lately burnt and re-edified, is now become a town that for the beauty of the buildings, especialy the church and town-houſe, may compare with the neatest in Italy itſelfe.

Dr. Sprat, Bishop of Rochester, wrote a very honest and handsome letter to the Commissioners Ecclesiastical, excusing himselfe from sitting any longer among them, he by no meaneſ approving of their prosecuting the Cleargy who refus'd to reade the Declaration for liberty of conſcience, in prejudice of the Church of England.

* The eldest son dying without issue, this Charles succeeded to the title and estate, and marrying to his second wife one of the daughters and at length coheirs to John Duke of Marlborough, his son by her succeeded to that title.

The Dutch make extraordinary preparations both at sea and land, w^{ch} with the very small progresse Popery makes among us, puts us to many difficulties. The Popish Irish soldiers commit many murders and insults; the whole Nation disaffected, and in apprehensions,

After long trials of the doctors to bring up the little Prince of Wales by hand (so many of her Ma^{ry's} children having died infants) not succeeding, a country nurse, the wife of a tile-maker, is taken to give it suck.

18 Sept. I went to London, where I found the Court in the utmost consternation on report of the Prince of Orange's landing, w^{ch} put White-hall into so panic a feare, that I could hardly believe it possible to find such a change.

Writs were issu'd in order to a Parliament, and a declaration to back the good order of elections, with greate professions of maintaining the Church of England, but without giving any sort of satisfaction to the people, who shew'd their high discontent at several things in the Government.

Earthquakes had utterly demolish'd the ancient Smyrna, and several other places in Greece, Italy, and even in the Spanish Indies, fore-runners of greater calamities. God Almighty preserve his Church and all who put themselves under the shadow of his wings, till these things be over-past!

30. The Court in so extraordinary a consternation on assurance of the Prince of Orange's intention to land, that the writs sent forth for a Parliament were recall'd.

7 Oct. Dr. Tenison preach'd at St. Martins, on 2 Tim. 3. 16. shewing the Scriptures to be our only rule of faith, and its perfection above all traditions. After w^{ch} neere 1000 devout persons partook of the Communion. This sermon was cheifly occasion'd by a Jesuite, who in the Masse-house on the Sunday before had disparag'd the Scripture and rail'd at our translation, w^{ch} some present contradicting, they pull'd him out of the Pulpit, and treated him very coarsely, insomuch that it was like to create a greate disturbance in the City.

Hourly expectation of the Prince of Orange's invasion brighten'd to that degree that his Ma^y thought fit to abrogate the Commission for

the dispensing power (but retaining his own right still to dispense with all laws) and restore the ejected Fellows of Magdalen College, Oxford. In the mean time he call'd over 5000 Irish, and 4000 Scots, and continued to remove Protestants and put in Papists at Portsmouth and other places of trust, and retained the Jesuites about him, increasing the universal discontent. It brought people to so desperate a passe; that they seem'd passionately to long for and desire the landing of that Prince whom they look'd on to be their deliverer from Popish tyranny, praying incessantly for an East wind, w^m was said to be the only hindrance of his expedition with a numerous army ready to make a descent. To such a strange temper, and unheard-of in former times, was this poore Nation reduc'd, and of which I was an eye-witness. The apprehension was (and with reason) that his Majesty's forces would neither at land or sea oppose them with that vigour requisite to repel invaders.

The late imprison'd Bishops were now call'd to reconcile matters, and the Jesuites hard at worke to foment confusion among the Protestants by their usual tricks. A letter was sent to the Abp. of Canterbury*, informing him, from good hands, of what was contriving by

* By Mr. Evelyn. The letter was as follows:

"My Lord, The honor and reputation which yr Grace's piety, prudence, and signal courage, have justly merited and obtain'd, not onely from the Sons of the Church of England, but even universally from those Protestants amonst us who are Dissenters from her discipline; God Almighty's providence and blessing upon yr Grace's vigilancy and extraordinary endeavors will not suffer to be diminished in this conjuncture. The conversation I now and then have with some in place, who have the opportunity of knowing what is doing in the most secret recesses and cabals of our Churches adversaries, obliges me to acquaint you, that the calling of yr Grace and the rest of the L^{ds} Bishops to Court, and what has there of late ben requir'd of you, is onely to create a jealousie and suspicion amongst well-meaning people of such compliances as it is certaine they have no cause to apprehend. The Plan of this and of all that wh^t is to follow of seeming favour thence, is wholly drawn by the Jesuites, who are at this time more than ever busie to make divisions amongst us, all other arts and mechanisms having hitherto failed them. They have, with other things, contriv'd that yr L^{ds}hips the Bishop should give his Mat^y advice separately, without calling any of the rest of the Peeres, which, tho' maliciously suggested, spreads generally about the Towne. I do not at all question but yr Grace will speedily prevent the operation of this venome, and that you will thinke it highly necessary so to do, that yr Grace is also injyn'd to compose a form of prayer, wherein the Pr. of O. is expressly to be named the Invader; of this I presume not to say any thing; but for as much as in all the Declarations, &c. which have hitherto been published in pretended favour of the Church of England, there is

them. A paper of what the Bishops advis'd his Ma^y was publish'd. The Bishops were injoin'd to prepare a form of prayer against the fear'd invasion. A pardon publish'd. Soildiers and mariners daily press'd.

14 Oct. The King's birth-day. No gunns from the Tower as usual. The sun eclips'd at its rising. This day signal for the victory of William the Conqueror against Harold, near Battel in Sussex. The wind, w^{ch} had been hitherto West, was East all this day. Wonderfull expectation of the Dutch fleet. Public prayers order'd to be read in the Churches against invasion.

28. A tumult in London on the rabble demolishing a Popish Chapel that had ben set up in the City.

29. Lady Sunderland acquainted me with his Ma^y's taking away the seals from Lord Sunderland, and of her being with the Queene to intercede for him. It is conceiv'd that he had of late grown remisse in pursuing the interest of the Jesuitical Counsells; some reported one thing, some another; but there was doubtless some secret betray'd which time may discover.

There was a Counsel call'd, to w^{ch} were summord the Archbp. of Canterbury, the Judges, the Lord Maior, &c. The Queene Dowager, and all the Ladies and Lords who were present at the Queene Consort's labour, were to give their testimony upon oath of the Prince of Wales's birth, recorded both at the Counsel Board and at the Chancery a day or two after. This procedure was censur'd by some as below

not once the least mention of the *Reformed* or *Protestant Religion*, but onely of the *Church of England as by Law established*, which Church the Papists tell us is the *Church of Rome*, which is (say they) the Catholic Church of England that onely is established by Law; the C. of England in the Reformed sense so established is but by an usurp'd authority. The antiquity of that would by these words be explained, and utterly defeat this false and subdolous construction, and take off all exceptions whatsoever; if in all extraordinary offices, upon these occasions, the words *Reformed* and *Protestant* were added to that of the *Church of England as by Law established*. And whosoever threatens to invade or come against us, to ye prejudice of that Church, in God's name, be they Dutch or Irish, let us heartily pray and fight againt them. My Lord, this is, I confess, a bold, but honest period; and tho' I am well assur'd that yr Grace is perfectly acquainted with all this before, and therefore may blame my impertinence, as that doe exasperates, yet I am confident you will not reprove the zeal of one who most humbly begets your Grace's portion, with yr blessing. Lond. 10 Oct. 1688." (From a copy in Mr. Evelyn's Hand-writing.) See vol II. p. 2.

his Ma^y to condescend to, on the talkes of the people. It was remarkable that on this occasion the Abp, Marquess of Halifax, the Earles of Clarendon and Nottingham, refus'd to sit at the Counsel table amongst Papists, and their bold telling his Ma^y that whatever was don whilst such sate amongst them was unlawfull and incur'd *premunire*;—at least if what I heard be true.

30. I din'd with Lord Prestou, made Secretary of State ir the place of the Earle of Sunderland.

Visited Mr. Boyle, when came in the Duke of Hamilton and Earle of Burlington. The Duke told us many particulars of Mary Queen of Scots, and her amours with her Italian favorite, &c.

31. My birth-day, being the 68th year of my age. O blessed Lord, grant that as I grow in yeares, so may I improve in grace! Be Thou my protector this following year, and preserve me and mine from those dangers and greate confusions that threaten a sad revolution to this sinfull Nation! Defend thy Church, our holy Religion, and just Laws, disposing his Ma^y to listen to sober and healing Counsels, that if it be Thy blessed will we may still enjoy that happy tranquillity which hitherto Thou hast continued to us! Amen, Amen!

1 Nov. Din'd with Lord Preston with other company at Sir Stephen Fox's. Continual alarmes of the Prince of Orange, but no certainty. Reports of his greate losses of horse in the storme, but without any assurance. A man was taken with divers papers and printed manifestos, and carried to Newgate after examination at the Cabinet Council. There was likewise a Declaration of the States for satisfaction of all Public Ministers at the Hague, except to the English and the French. There was in that of the Prince's an expression as if the Lords both Spiritual and Temporal had invited him over, with a deduction of the causes of his enterprize. This made his Ma^y convene my Lord of Canterbury and the other Bishops now in towne, to give in account of what was in the Manifesto, and to enjoyn them to clear themselves by some publiq writing of this disloyal charge.

2. It was now certainly reported by some who saw the fleete, and y^e Prince imbarke, that they sailed from the Brill on Wednesday

morning, and that the Prince of Orange was there to take leave of her husband.

4. Fresh reports of the Prince being landed somewhere about Portsmouth or the Isle of Wight, whereas it was thought it would have been Northward. The Court in greate hurry.

5. I went to London; heard the newes of the Prince having landed at Torbay, coming with a fleete of neere 700 saile, passing through the Channell with so favourable a wind that our pary could not intercept or molest them. This put the King and Court into greate consternation; they were now employ'd in forming an army to stop their further progresse, for they were got into Exeter, and the season and ways very improper for his Ma^y's forces to march so greate a distance.

The Ahp. of Canterbury and some few of the other Bishops and Lords in London were sent for to White-hall, and requir'd to set forth their abhorrence of the invasion. They assur'd his Ma^y they had never invited any of the Prince's party, or were in the least privy to it, and would be ready to shew all testimonie of their loyalty; but as to a public Declaration, being so few, they desir'd that his Ma^y would call the rest of their brethren and Peeres that they might consult what was fit to be don on this occasion, not thinking it right to publish any thing without them; and till they had themselves seen the Prince's Manifesto, in which it was pretended he was invited in by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal. This did not please the King; so they departed.

A Declaration was publish'd prohibiting all persons to see or reade the Prince's Manifesto, in which was set forth at large the cause of his expedition, as there had ben one before from the States.

These are the beginnings of sorrow, unlesse God in His mercy prevent it by some happy reconciliation of all dissensions amongst us. This, in all likelihood, nothing can effect except a free Parliament; but this we cannot hope to see while there are any forces on either side. I pray God to protect and direct the King for the best and truest interest of his People!—I saw his Ma^y touch for the avile Pitton the Jesuit, and Warner officiating.

14. The Prince increases every day in force. Several Lords go in

to him. Lord Cornberry carries some regiments, marches to Honiton, the Prince's head quarters. The City of London in disorder; the rabble pull'd down the Nummery newly bought by the Papists of Lord Berkely at St. John's. The Queene prepares to go to Portsmouth for safety, to attend the issue of this commotion, w^{ch} has a dreadfull aspect.

18. It was now very hard frost. The King goes to Salisbury to rendezvous the army, and returnes to London. Lord Delamere appears for y^e Prince in Cheshire. The Nobility meeete in Yorkshire. The Archbishop of Canterbury and some Bishops, and such Peeres as were in London, address his Ma^y to call a Parliament. The King invites all Forraine Nations to come over. The French take all the Palatinate; and alarm the Germans more than ever.

29. I went to the Royal Society. We adjourn'd the election of a President to 23 April by reason of the public commotions, yet din'd together as of custome this day.

2 Dec. Dr. Tenison preached at St. Martines on 36 Psalm 5, 6, 7. concerning Providence. I received the blessed Sacrament. Afterwards visited my Lord Godolphin, then going with the Marquess of Halifax and Earle of Nottingham as Commissioners to the Prince of Orange; he told me they had little power. Plymault declar'd for the Prince, Bath, York, Hull, Bristol, and all the eminent Nobility and Persons of Quality through England, declare for the Protestant Religion and Laws, and go to meeete the Prince, who every day sets forth new Declarations against the Papists. The great favourites at Court, Priests and Jesuits, fly or abscond. Every thing, till now conceald, flies abroad in public print, and is cried about the streetes. Expectation of the Prince coming to Oxford. The Prince of Wales and greate treasure sent privily to Portsmouth, the Earle of Dover being Governor. Addresse from the Fleet not grateful to his Ma^y. The Papists in offices lay down their commissions, and fly. Universal consternation amongst them; it looks like a Revolution.

7. My son went towards Oxford. I return'd home.

9. Lord Sunderland meditates flight. The rabble demolish'd all Popish Chapels, and severall Papist Lords and Gentlemen's houses, especially that of the Spanish Ambassador, w^{ch} they pillag'd, and burnt his Library.

13. The King flies to sea, puts in at Faversham for ballast; is rudely treated by the people; comes back to White-hall.

The Pr. of Orange is advanc'd to Windsor, is invited by the King to St. James's, the messenger sent was the Earle of Faversham, the General of the Forces, who going without trumpet or passeport is detain'd prisoner by the Prince, who accepts the invitation, but requires his Ma^y to retire to some distant place, that his owne guards may be quarter'd about the Palace and City. This is taken heinously, and the King goes privately to Rochester; is persuaded to come back; comes on the Sunday; goes to masse, and dines in publiqu, a Jesuit saying grace (I was present).

17. That night was a Council; his Ma^y refuses to assent to all the proposals; goes away again to Rochester.

18. I saw the King take barge to Gravesend at 12 o'clock — a sad sight! The Prince comes to St. James's, and fills White-hall with Dutch guards. A Council of Peeres meets about an expedient to call a Parliament; adjourn to the Houae of Lords. The Chancellor, Earl of Peterbore, and divers others taken. The Earle of Sunderland flies; S^r Edw^a Hales, Walker, and others, taken and secur'd.

All the world go to see the Prince at St. James's, where there is a greate Court. There I saw him, and sev'rall of my acquaintance who came over with him. He is very stately, serious and reserv'd. The English soldiers sent out of towne to disband them, not well pleasd.

24. The King passes into France, whither the Queen and Child were gon a few days before.

26. The Peeres and such Commoners as were Members of the Parliament at Oxford, being the last of Charles II. meeting, desire the Pr. of Orange to take on him the disposal of the publick revenue till a Convention of Lords and Commons should meete in full body, appointed by his circular letters to the Shires and Burroughs, 22 Jan. — I had now quarter'd upon me a Lient^t-Col^t and S^r horses.

30. This day Prayers for the Prince of Wales were first said off in our Church.



Engraved by C. Dwyer from an original Sketch by Sir G. Walker

JOHN EVELYN, ESQ.^{Esq.}

Author of Sylva, &c.

My Ld,

Your Sr^r most humble
most obedient & most
Obliged Servt

Winton 14 July 1704

C. Dwyer.

ILLUSTRATIONS.

The following Letter from George Evelyn, Esq. elder brother of Mr. J. E. when at College, to his father Richard at Wotton, 26 Sept. 1636, giving an account of the Visit made by the King and Queen to the University of Oxford, with some particulars respecting himself, contains some curious matter.

I know you have longe desired to heare of my welfare, and the totall series of his Majestys entertainment whilst hee was fixed in the center of our Academie.

The Archbishop of L^d Chauncelour [Laud] and many Bishops, Doctor Bayley & Vice Chauncelour, wth the rest of the Doctors of the University, together wth the Maior of the City, and his brethren, rode out in state to meet his Majesty, the Bishops in their Pontificall robes, the Doctors in their scarlet Gowns and their black capps (being the habite of the university), the Maior and Aldermen in their scarlett Gowns, and 60 other townsmen all in blacke satin doublets and in old fashion Jacketts. At the appropinquatio[n] of y^e King, after the Beedles Stafes were delivered up to His Majesty, in token y^t they yealded up all their autority to him, the Vice Chauncelor spooke a speech to the King, and presented him wth a Bible in the Universitys behalfe, the Queene wth Camden's Britannia in English, and the Prince Elect (as I take it) wth Croke's Politicks; all of them wth gloves (because Oxford is famous for gloves*). A litte nigher the City where y^e City bounds are terminated, the Maior presented his Majesty wth a large guilt cupp,

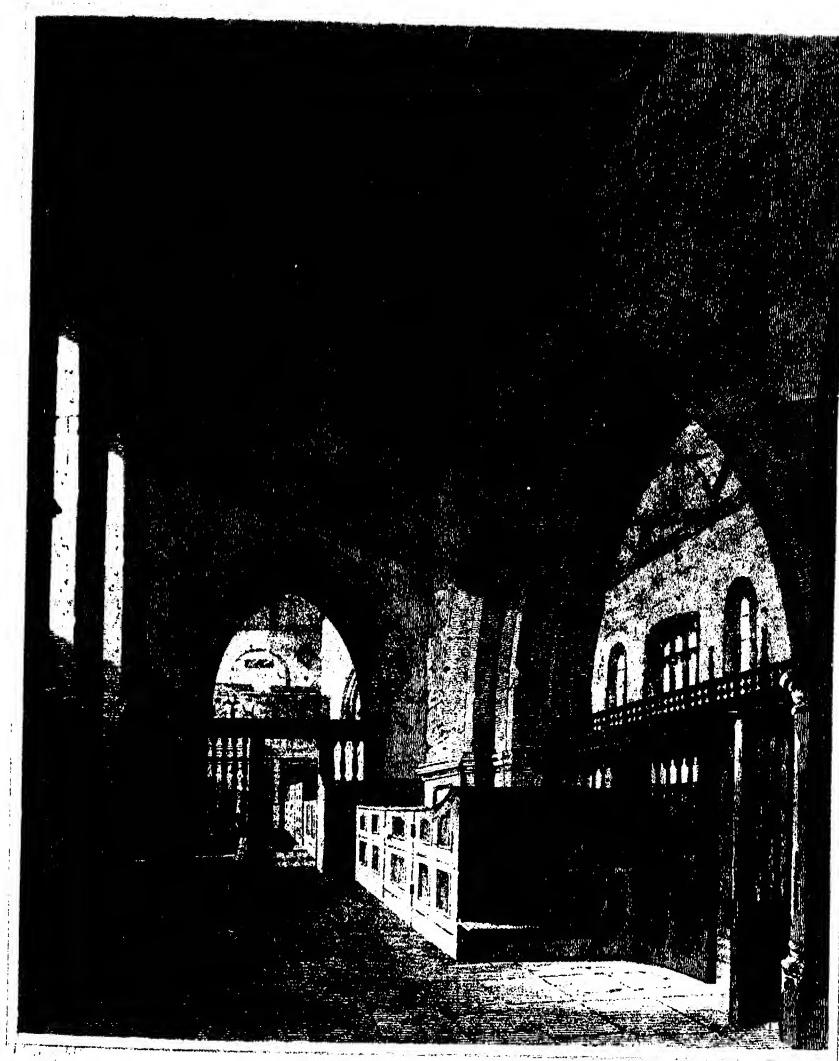
* Gloves always made part of a present from Corporate Bodies at that time, more or less ornamented with rich fringes according to the quality of the persons to whom they were offered.

et fuit vicinifazam opinio the Recorder of the City made a speech of his Majestie. In the entrance of the Universitie, at St. Johns College, he was retained w^m another speech made by a Fellow of the house. The speech being ended, he went to Christ-church, schollars standing on both sides of the street according to their degrees and in their formallys, clausulae, *Vnde Regnoster Corolus;* Being entred Christ-church he had another speech made by the Universitie Oratour, and student of the same house: the subject of all w^m speeches being this, expressing their joy and his welcome to yr Universitie. Then retiring himself a little he went to Prayers; they being ended, soone after to supper, and then to the Play, whose subject was the Calming of the Passions; but it was generallie disliked of the Court, because it was so grave, but especially because they understood it not. This was the first day's entertainment.

The next morning he had a Sermon in Christ-church, preached by Browne the Proctor of the University, and a Student of the house. The Sermon being ended, the Prince Elect and Prince Rupert went to St. Mary's, where there was a congregation, and Prince Rupert created M^r of Arts, also many nobles w^m him. The reason why the Prince Elect was not created Mr of Arts, was because Cambridge or Sister had created him before. The congregation done, the King, Queene and all the nobles went to the Schooles (the glory of Christendome) where in y^e publick Library, his Majesty heard another speech, spoken by my Ld Chamberlains 3^d sonne, and of Exeter College, w^m spake the R^e liked well. From the Schooles the K^r went to St. Johns to dinner, where the Archbishop entertained his Majestie w^m a magnificent dinner and costly Banquet [Dessert.] Then w^m a Play made by the same house. The Play being ended, he went to Christ-church, and after supper to another Play, called the Royall Slave^{*}; all the Actors performing in a Persian habite, w^m Play much delighted his Majesty and all the Nobles, commending it for the best w^e ever was acted.

The next morning he departed from the University, all the Doctoris w^m his hand, his Majesty expressing his K^r love to yr University, and his contenance demonstrating unto us that he was well pleased w^m the entertainement made by vs Schollars.

* By William Cartwright, a Student of that College (afterwards the famous Dr. Bury) performed a part thereof w^m so much applause, that it is said he has given up the stage.



INTERIOR OF WOTTON CHURCH, SURRY.

After the K.^r. departure there was a Congregation called, where many Doctors, some Masters of Arts, and a few Batchelours were created, they procuring it by making friends to y^e Raulsgrave. There were very few that went out that are now resident, most of them were L^{ds} and gentlemen. A Doctor of Divinity and Batchelour of Arts were created of our house [Trinity], but they made special friends to gett it.

With the £30. you sent me I have furnished me wth those necessarys I wanted, and have made me two suits, one of them being a blacke satin doublett and black cloth breeches, the other a white satin doublett and scarlett hose; the scarlett hose I shall ware but little heare, but it will be comely for me to ware in the country.

Yo^r desire was that I should be as frugall in my expences as I could, and I assure you, honoured Sir, I have been; I have spent none of it in riot or toyes. You hoped it would be sufficient to furnish me and discharge my battailes for this Quarter, but I feare it will not, therefore I humbly entreat you to send me £20. I know what I have already, and wth this I send for, wil be more than enough to discharge these months, but I know not what occasion may fall out.

Trin. Coll. Oxon, 26. 7^b 1636..

II.

In the Edition of Sir Richard Baker's Chronicle published with additions by Edward Phillips (Milton's nephew) there is an account of the transactions between Mr. Evelyn and Col. Morley, relative to the latter's being urged by Mr. Evelyn, after Cromwell's death, to declare for the King. In a subsequent Edition in 1730, this account is considerably altered. Amongst Mr. Evelyn's papers at Wotton, there is the original account drawn up by Sir Tho. Clarges, and sent to Mr. Phillips; it is in Sir Thomas's own hand-writing, was evidently sent to Mr. Evelyn for his perusal, and is thus indorsed by him:

"S^r Thomas Clarges (brother-in-law to the Duke of Albemarle) insertion of what concern'd M^r Evelyn & Coll^l Morley in the continuation of the History written by M^r Phillips & added to S^r Rich. Baker's Chronicle. Note that my letter to Col^l Morley was not rightly copied, there was likewise too much said concerning me, which is better & as it ought to be in the second impression 1664."

Mr. Phillips's account is as follows:

"In the seven hundred and nineteenth page of this History wee omitted to insert a very materiall negotiation for the Kings service, attempted upon the

interruption given to the Parliament by Col. Lambert and those that agreed with him therein, which was managed by Mr. Evelyn of Say's Court by Deptford in Kent, an active, vigilant, and very industrious agent on all occasions for his Ma^{ts} Restauration; who supposing the members of this oppositions Parliament could not but ill resent that affront, thought to make advantage by fixing the impression of it to the ruine of the Army, for the effecting whereof he applied himself to Colonel Herbert Morley, then newly constituted one of the five Commissioners for the command of the Army, as a person by his birth, education & interest unlikely to be cordially inclined to prostitute himself to the ruine of his Country and the infamie of his posteritie.

" Mr. Evelyn gave him some visits to tempt his affection by degrees to a confidence in him, & then by consequence to ingage him in his designes, and to induce him the more powerfully thereunto, he put into his bands an excellent and unanswerable hardie treatise by him written call'd " An Apology for the Royal Party," w^{ch} he backd with so good arguments and a very dextrous ad-dresse in the prosecution of them, that the Colonel was wholly convinc'd, and recommended to him the procurement of the Kings pardon for him, his brother in law M^r Fagg, and one or two more of his relations. This Mr. Evelyn faithfully promis'd to endeavour, and taking the opportunitie of S^r Samuel Tuke's goeing at that time into France, he by him acquainted the King (being then at Pontoise) with the relation of this affaire, wherewith he was so well pleased as to declare if Coll. Morley & those for whom he interceded were not of those execrable Judges of his blessed Royall Father, they shuld have his pardon, and he receive such other reward as his services shuld deserve. Upon the sending this advice to the King the Coll. left London, because of the jealousy w^{ch} Fleetwood and Lambert had of him; but before he went he desired Mr. Evelyn to correspond with him in Sussex by the meane of M^r Fagg his brother in law, who then lay in the Mewes.

" Mr. Evelyn had good reason to believe Colonel Morley very capable of serving the King at this time, for he had much a better interest in Sussex than any of his party; whereby he might have facilitered his Master's reception in that County in case his affairs had required his landing there; but besides his power in Sussex, he had (as he said) an influence on two of the best Regiments of the Army, and good credit with many of the Officers of the Fleet.

" But before the returne from France of the King's resolution in this matter there intervened many little changes in the progress of affairs.

" Upon the advance of General Monk in favour of the Parliament, and the general inclination of the Army to him, General Monk propos'd the result-

tion of that power, and with it of his own authority, and was leagued with Walken and Hauerig in a private treaty w^t Colonel Whetham the Governor of Portsmouth for the delivery of that garrison to them; and Fagg went privately from London to raise a Regiment in Sussex to promote these designs, but was suppress'd before he gott any considerable number of men together.

" Mr. Evelyn not knowing of these intrigues, in vain endeavour'd by all imaginable ways to communicate the King's pleasure to Morley, whooe was by this time in the garrison of Portsmouth.

" But when the Parliament resum'd their power, and he [Morley] was placed in the government of the Tower, he [Evelyn] thought it expedient to renew the former negotiation betwixt them for his Ma^{ts} service, and in order thereto he often by visits made application to him, but could never but once procure access^e; and then he dismissed him with a faint answer, " That he would shortly wait upon him at his Lodging."

" This put Evelyn into so much passion that he resolv'd to surmount the difficulty of access^e by writing freely to him, which he did in this manner:

To Coll: Morley, Lieutenant of the Towre*.

S,

For many obligations, but especially for the last testimonies of y^r confidence in my friendship, begun so long since, and conserved so inviolably through so many changes, and in so universall a decadence of honour, & all that is sacred amongst men, I come with this profound acknowledgement of the favours you have don me; and had a greate desire to have made this a personall recognition and to congratulate y^r retурne, and the dignities which y^r merites have acquired, and for which none dos more sincerely rejoice; could I prouise my selfe the hapynesse of finding you in y^r station at any season wherein the publique, and more weighty concernments did afford you the leasure of receiving a Visite, from a person so inconsiderable as my selfe. But, since I may not hope for that good fortune, and such an opportunity of conveying my respects, & the greate affections which I owe you; I did presume to transmitt this Express^e; and by it, to present you with the worthiest indications of my Zeale to continue in the possession of your good graces, by assuring you of my great desires to serve you in whatsoever may best conduce to y^r honour, and to a stability of ev'ryt^e that any future contingencies of things can promise; because I

*When I remiss-ed with him for
driving of the
Tower of Lard-
& to deserte for
the King, a little
before Con-
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honour that
greate men de-
served & obtained
some after.*

* The following letter is taken from Mr. Evelyn's own copy.

am confident, that you have a nobler prospect upon the successe of y^e designes, then to prostitute y^e vertues & y^e conduct to serve the passions of avarice of any particular persons whatsoever; being (as you are) free and uncontaminat, well borne, and abhorring to dishonour or enrich y^e selfe with the spoyles which by others have ben ravish't from our misetral, yet dearest Country; and which renders them so zealous to pursue the ruine of it, by labouuring to involve men of the best natures, and reputations, into their owne inextricable Labarynths, & to gratifie that which will pay them w^b so much infamy in the event of things, & with so inevitable a perdition of their precious soules, when all these vncertainties (how specious so euer at present) shall vanish and come to nothing.

There is now, Sr, an opportunity put into y^e hands, by improving whereof you may securely act for the good of y^e Country, and the redemption of it from the insupportable Tyrannies, Injustice and Impieties vnder which it has now groan'd for so many yeares, through the treachery of many wicked, and the mistakes of some few good men. For by this, Sr, you shall best do honour to God, and merit of y^e Country; by this y^e shall secure y^e selfe, & make y^e name greate to succeeding Ages: by this you shall crowne y^e selfe with reall & lasting dignities. In sum, by this, you shall oblige even those whom you may mistake to be y^e greatest Enemies, to embrace & cherish you as a person becoming the honour of a brave and worthy Patriot, and to be rewarded with the noblest expressions of it; when, by the best interpretations of y^e Charity and Obedience to the dictates of a Christian, you shall thus heape Coales of fire vpon their head; and, which at once will give both light and warmth to this afflicted Nation, Church, and People, not to be extinguished by any more of those Impostors whom God has so signally blowne off the stage, to place such in their stead, as have opportunities given them of restoring us to our antient knowne Lawes, native and most happy Liberties. It is this, Sr, which I am oblig'd to wish to encourage y^e in, and to pronounce as the worthy testimonie of my congratulations for y^e Recovery, and which, you may assure your selfe, has the suffrages of the solidest and best ingrediest of this whole Nation. And having sayd thus much, I am sure you will not looke vpon this letter as a servile Addressee; but, if you still retaine that favour and goodnessse for the person who presents it, that I have reason to promise my selfe, from the integritie which I have hitherto observed in all y^e pretensions, I conjure you to believe, that you have made a perfect acquisition of my service and, that (however events succeede) I am still the same plowman, greedy of an opportunity to recommend the sincerity of my intentions, by writing you whatever

service lyer in my power ; and I hope you shall not find me without some capacities of expressing it in effects, as well as in the words of
honorable Sr &c.

Covent Garden

12th Jan: 44.

" In a note he adds : Morley was at this time Lieut^t of the Towre of London, was absolute Master of the Citty, there being very few of the Rebell army any where neere it, save at Somerset house a trifling garrison wh^{ch} was marching out to reinforce Lambert, who was marching upon the newes of Monk's coming out of Scotland. He was Lieut^t of all the Confederate Counties of Sussex, Surrey, Hampshire, &c. ; his brother-in-law Gov^r of Portsmouth and Hampshire; his own bro. W^m Morley Gov^r of Arundel Castle; in sum he had all the advantages he could have desired to have raised the well affected of the Citty & Country universally breathing after a deliverer (uncertain as to what Monk intended), & so had absolutely prevented any [other] person or power whatever (in all appearance) from having the honour of bringing in the King, before those who were in motion could have snatch'd it out of his hand. Of all this I made him so sensible, when I was with him at the Towre, that nothing but his fatal diffidence of Monk's having no designe to bring in his Ma^{je} because he had [not] discover'd it while matters were yet in the dark (but y^e designe certainly resolv'd on) kept him wavering & so irresolute (tho he saw the game sufficiently in his hands) as to sit still & put it off till Lambert & his forces being scatter'd & taken, Monk marched into the Citty triumphant with his wearied Army, possessed the Gates, & with no great cun'ing & little difficulty, finding how the people and Magistrates were dispos'd (w^{ch}ever his general integations were, or at first seem'd to be), boldly & fortunately brought to pass that noble Revolution, following it to his eternal honour by restoring a banished Prince & the People's freedom. This poor Morley saw, & implor'd my interest by w^t meanes he might secure himself & obtaine his pardon. This is in short a true account of that remarkable affaire."

Mr. Phillips goes on thus from Sir Thomas Clarges's paper :

" Wee shall not here determine what it was that induc'd Colonel Morley (at the time of his being Lieutenant of the Tower) to decline commerce with M^r Evelyn for the Kings service, whether it was that he doubted of the concurrence of his Officers & Soldiers, whoe had bin long trained up in an aversion to Monarchy, or whether by the intire subjection of the Army to Monck, and their unity thereupon, he thought that work now too difficult, which was more fesible in the time of their division : But it is most certaine that he took such

impressions from Mr Evelyn's discourses and this letter, that ever after he appeared very moderate in his counsels, and was one of the forwardest to embrace all opportunities for the good of his country; as was evident by his vigorous & hazardous opposition in Parliament to that impious oath of abjuration of the King's family and line (hereafter mentioned) before it was safe for Generall Monk to discover how he was inclined; and by his willing conjunction and confederacy after with the Generall for the admission of the secluded members in proclamation for a free Parliament for the King's restoration."

III.

In 1687-8, there was printed what was called "A true and perfect Narrative of the strange and unexpected finding the Crucifix and Gold-chain of that pious Prince, St. Edward the King and Confessor, which was found after 620 years interment, and presented to his most sacred Majesty King James the

* In 1815 Baron Maseres re-published some Tracts relating to the Civil War in England in the time of King Charles I. amongst which is "The Mystery and Method of his Majesty's happy Restoration, by the Rev. Dr. John Price, one of the late Duke of Albermarle's chaplains, who was privy to all the secret passages and particularities of that Glorious Revolution." Printed in 1680. In this tract it is stated that Monk's officers being disengaged with the conduct of the Rump Parliament, pressed him to come to some decision, whereupon, on 11 Feb. 1680, they sent the letter to the Parliament, desiring them first to fill up vacancies, and then to determine their own sitting, and call a new Parliament. Dr. Price then says, "The General yielded at length to their fears and counsells, and the rather for that he was assured of the Tower of London, the Lieutenant of it (Col. Morley) having before offered it to him. This the noble Colonel had done in the City, pitying the consternation of the Citizens when he saw what work was doing (Monk's pulling down the City Gates a few days before by order of the Rump Parliament) and what influence it would have on the country." He adds, "that though the Rump did not dare to take away the General's Commission as one of those Commissioners for governing the army, they struck out his name from the quorum of them, which greatly did take away his authority, and he and Morley were left to stand the trials against Hopton, Strode, and Wicks."

These are the only mentions which he makes of Morley, in which it seems that the last communication between him and Monk was when the latter sent him to command the City Gates, on the 9th February.

Had there been any previous concert between Monk and Morley, the former would not have wanted Mr. Evelyn's assistance to obtain his position, which however he did with great difficulty through Mr. Evelyn.

See vol. I. of this work, p. 219.

Second. By Charles Taylor, Gent. London, printed by J. B. and are to be sold by Randal Taylor, near Stationers' Hall, 1688."

He says, that "on St. Barnaby's Day, 1685; between 11 and 12 at noon, he went with two friends to see the coffin of Edward the Confessor, having heard that it was broke; fetched a ladder, looked on the coffin and found a hole as reported, put his hand into the hole, and turning the bones which he felt there, drew from under the shoulder bones a crucifix richly adorned and enamelled, and a golden chain of 24 inches long to which it was fixed; shewed them to his two friends; was afraid to take them away till he had acquainted the Dean; put them into the coffin again; but the Dean not being to be spoke with then, and fearing this treasure might be taken by some other, he went two or three hours after to one of the Quire, acquainted him with what he had found, who accompanied him to the inunction, from whence he again drew the crucifix and chain; his friend advised him to keep them until he could shew them to the Dean (the Bp. of Rochester); kept them three weeks before he could speak to the Bishop; went to the Abp. of York, and shewed them; next morning the Abp. of York carried him to the Abp. of Canterbury at Lambeth, and shewed them. After this he procured an exact drawing to be made of them; shewed them to Sir William Dugdale. 6 July, the Abp. of Canterbury told the Bp. of Rochester, who, about four that afternoon, sent for him, and took him to Whitehall, that he might present them to the King, which he did accordingly. The King ordered a new strong wooden coffin to be made to inclose the broken one. The links of the chain oblong, and curiously wrought; the upper part joined by a locket, composed of a large round nob of gold, massy, in circumference as big as a milled shilling, half an inch thick; round this went a wire and half a dozen little beads, hanging loose, running to and again on the same, all of pure gold, and finely wrought; on each side of the locket were set two large square stones (supposed to be rubies). From each side of this locket, fixed to two rings of gold, the chain descends, and meeting below, passes through a square piece of gold of a convenient bigness, made hollow for the same purpose. This gold, wrought into several angles, was painted with divers colours, resembling gems or precious stones, to which the crucifix was joined, yet to be taken off by help of a screw. The form of the cross nearest that of an humettee dory (among the Heralds), or rather the botany [botonée], yet the pieces not of equal length, the perpendicular beam being near one-fourth part longer than the traverse, as being four inches to the extremity, whilst the other scarce exceeds three; yet all neatly turned at the ends, and the botons enamelled with figures thereon. The cross, of the same gold as the chain, but

exceeds it by its rich enamel, having on one side the picture of our Saviour Christ in his passion wrought thereon, and an eye from above casting a kind of beam on him ; on the reverse, picture of a Benedictine Monk in his habit, and on each side of him these capital Roman letters :—

On the right,

And on the left,

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This cross is hollow, to be opened by two little screws towards the top, wherein, it is presumed, some relique might have been conserved. William I. commanded the coffin to be interlined, and the shrine covered with plates of gold and silver, adorned with pearls and precious stones. About 136 years after, the Abbot resolved to inspect the body, said to be incorruptible, and on opening found it to be so, being perfect, the limbs flexible ; the face covered : Gundolph, Bishop of Rochester, withdrew the cover, but, with great reverence, covered it again, changing the former vestments, and putting on others of equal price. In 1163, Thomas à Becket procured a canonization of the King, and in the ceremony, the Abbot opened the coffin, found the body lying in rich vestments of cloth of gold, having on his feet buckles of purple, and shoes of great price ; the body uncorrupted ; removed the whole body from the stone repository to another of wood, some assisting at the head, others at the arms and legs ; they lifted it gently, and laid the corpse first on tapestry spread on the floor, and then wrapping the same in silken cloaths of great value, they put it into the wooden chest, *with all those things that were found in the former*, except the gold ring which was on the King's finger, which the Abbot, *out of devotion, retained*, and ordered it to be kept in the Treasury of the Abbey.

In 1226 K. Henry III. again removed the coffin to a chapel built for the purpose."

Commissioner PERT. (See vol. I. 359; vol. II. 18.)

There is a monument for him in Deptford Church with a most pompous inscription : "qui fuit patriæ decus, patriæ suæ magnum munimentum ;"— he not only restored our naval affairs, but he invented that excellent and new ornament of the Navy which we call Frigate, formidable to our enemies, to us most useful and safe : he was the Noah of his age, by this invention, like the Ark, having almost snatched our dominion of the Seas and our rights from Shipwreck.

THE END OF THE FIRST VOLUME.



